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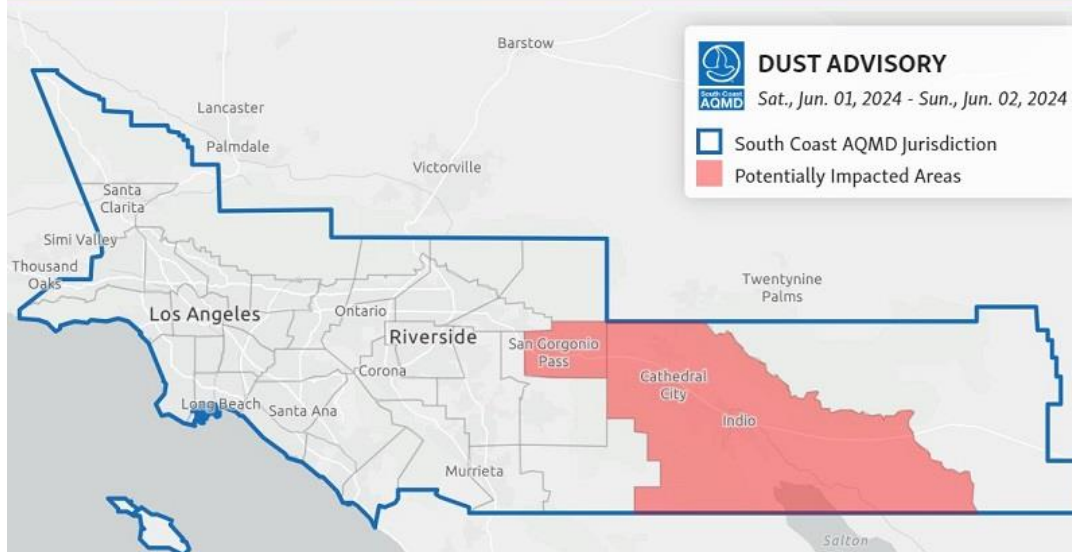
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South Coast AQMD Issues a Windblown Dust Advisory for the Coachella Valley and Banning Pass

Valid until Sunday 11:00 p.m.

Valid Saturday 11:00 AM until Sunday 11:00 PM



Current Conditions

Wind gusts over 50 mph on Saturday morning resulted in periods where air quality **was Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups**.

To view current air quality in your neighborhood, download the [South Coast AQMD app](#) or visit www.aqmd.gov/AQImap.

Forecasted Air Quality Impacts

- Windblown dust is expected to cause Air Quality Index (AQI) values to reach **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** levels or higher between Saturday afternoon and Sunday evening
- High winds can lead to windblown dust; gusts up to 50 miles per hour are expected
- AQI levels will vary over time and by location depending on wind speed and direction
- AQI levels will likely be highest in the afternoon and evening hours
- South Coast AQMD will issue an update if poor air quality is expected to persist

Detailed Forecast

Saturday Afternoon through Saturday Night	AQI levels will be highest Saturday afternoon through Sunday morning. AQI may reach Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups levels or higher.
Sunday Afternoon and Evening	AQI levels will again be high on Sunday afternoon and evening. AQI may reach Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups levels or higher.

If you are in an area impacted by windblown dust or ash:

- Limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed or seeking alternate shelter.
- Avoid vigorous physical activity.
- Run your air conditioning and/or an air purifier. If possible, do not use swamp coolers or whole house fans that bring in outside air.
- Help minimize dust pollution by stabilizing loose soils and slowing down if driving on dirt roads.

For more information, see the [EPA Guide for Particle Pollution](#) (PDF).

South Coast AQMD is the regulatory agency responsible for improving air quality for large areas of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties, including the Coachella Valley. For news, air quality alerts, event updates and more, please visit us at www.aqmd.gov, download our award-winning app, or follow us on [Facebook](#), [X](#) (formerly known as Twitter) and [Instagram](#).

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