



# SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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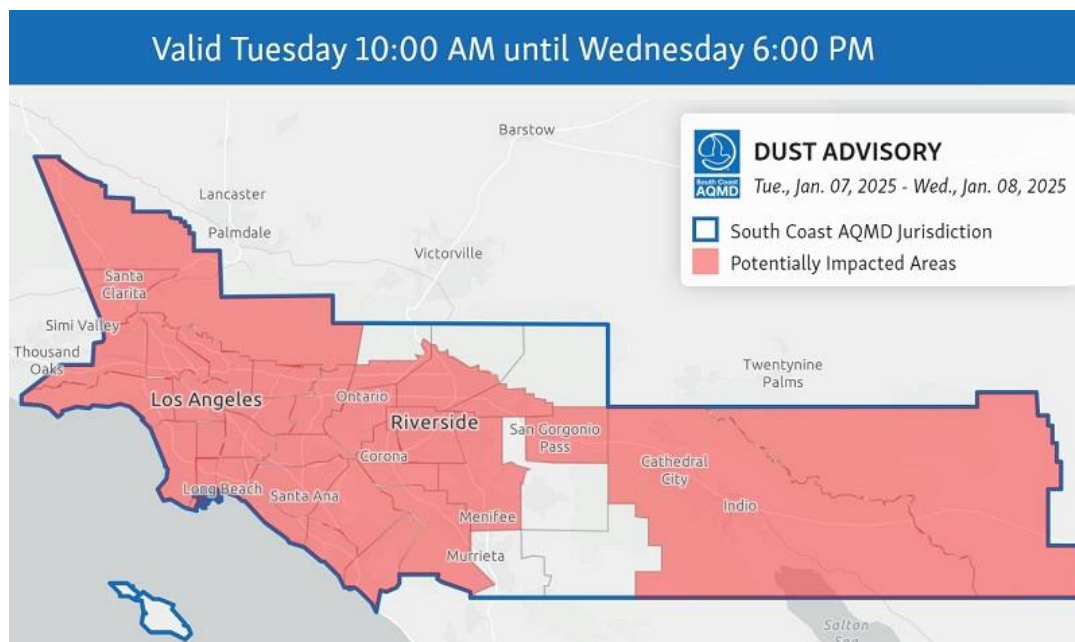
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## South Coast AQMD Issues Windblown Dust Advisory for the South Coast Air Basin Due to High Winds

*Valid Tuesday 10:00 AM until Wednesday 6:00 PM*



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

### Current Conditions

- As of Monday at noon, the National Weather Service (NWS) has issued Red Flag Warnings and High Wind Warnings throughout the area. Visit the NWS San Diego [www.weather.gov/sgx](http://www.weather.gov/sgx) and NWS Los Angeles [www.weather.gov/lox](http://www.weather.gov/lox) websites for more information.

### Forecasted Air Quality Impacts

- Blowing dust may result in Air Quality Index (AQI) levels that are **Unhealthy** or worse
- High PM10 levels in the region are a result of gusty Santa Ana winds, which can lift dust and soil into the air
- North to northeast winds might reach 30 to 45 mph with gusts between 60 and 80 mph expected.
- High winds may also disperse ash from the Line, Airport, and Bridge fire burn scars
- Air quality can vary by hour and location depending on wind conditions

**Detailed Forecast**

Tuesday daytime	High PM10 levels are expected to begin when gusty winds from the northeast start to affect the area on Tuesday morning. <b>Unhealthy</b> or worse AQI levels due to PM10 are possible in most of Los Angeles, Orange, and Riverside Counties in the South Coast Air Basin and the Coachella Valley.
Tuesday nighttime	Wind gusts will continue to result in blowing dust with <b>Unhealthy</b> or worse AQI levels expected overnight in the area.
Wednesday morning and afternoon	High wind speeds are expected on Wednesday morning and afternoon, with PM10 levels in the <b>Unhealthy</b> or worse AQI category expected. Wind speeds and PM10 levels are expected to decrease throughout the region starting at 6 PM Wednesday.

South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

**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).

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