



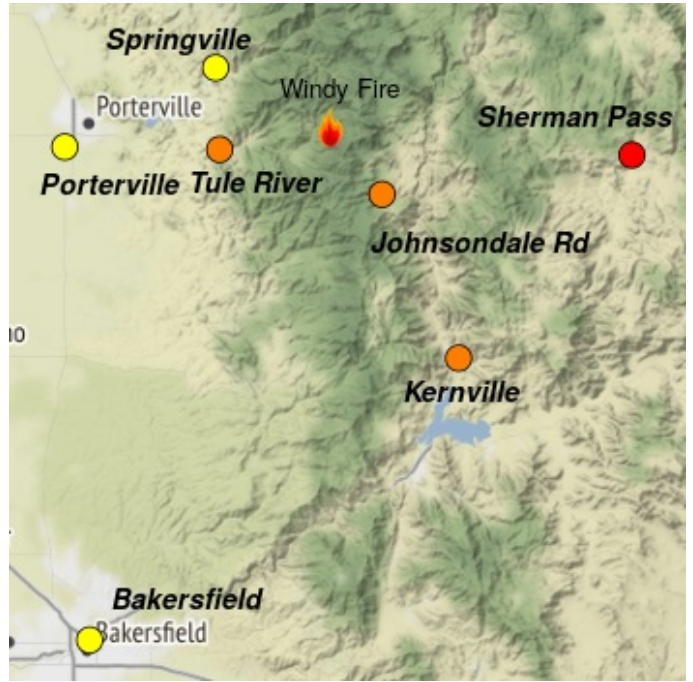
**Smoke Outlook for 9/17 - 9/18**  
**Southern Sierra - Sequoia Windy Fire**  
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**Fire**

The Windy Fire is currently 5,461 acres and 0% contained. The fire mainly saw growth on the northeast and east/southeast portions overnight as the fire continues to back along terrain features. Spots tossed downhill are also creating uphill runs. The fire remains in an area where dead and down fuels and dead standing fuels are readily available.

**Smoke**

Smoke will linger in the area through mid-morning as the inversion burns off. Some clearing is expected in the afternoon and winds will push smoke to the east/northeast. Conditions similar to yesterday are expected with those areas to the west of the fire seeing overall Moderate conditions, while other areas saw Moderate to Very Unhealthy conditions through the day and those communities near Sherman Pass Rd will see Hazardous levels at times. Smoke should improve as we move into the afternoon and worsen in the evening into overnight. Increases in fire activity could bring more smoke and worse conditions than expected.



Daily AQI Forecast\* for Sep 17, 2021

Station	Yesterday hourly	Thu 9/16	Forecast* Comment for Today -- Fri, Sep 17	Forecast*	
				Fri 9/17	Sat 9/18
Springville			Moderate overall, may see peaks of Unhealthy		
Porterville			Good to Moderate conditions through the day		
Tule River			Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups overall, will see improved conditions after noon, worsening in the evening		
Sherman Pass			Hazardous improving to Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups mid-morning/noon		
Johnsondale Rd			Moderate to Unhealthy levels, Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups overall		
Kernville			Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups overall with conditions better than yesterday		
Bakersfield			Good to Moderate conditions through the day		

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Air Quality Index (AQI)	Actions to Protect Yourself
Good	None
Moderate	Unusually sensitive individuals should consider limiting prolonged or heavy exertion.
USG	People within Sensitive Groups* should <b>reduce</b> prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.
Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups* should <b>avoid all</b> physical outdoor activity.
Very Unhealthy	Everyone should avoid prolonged or heavy exertion.
Hazardous	Everyone should avoid any outdoor activity.

**\*Disclaimer:** This forecast is based on fine particulates only; ozone is not included. Forecasts may be wrong; use at own risk. Use caution as conditions can change quickly. See your health professional as needed. Smoke sensitive groups should take appropriate precautions.

**Additional Links**  
[California Smoke Blog](http://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/) -- <http://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/>  
[Fire and Smoke Map](https://fire.airnow.gov/) -- <https://fire.airnow.gov/>  
[Inciweb - Windy Fire](https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7841/) -- <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7841/>

by USFS Wildland Fire Air Quality Response Program -- [www.wildlandfiresmoke.net](http://www.wildlandfiresmoke.net)  
 Southern Sierra - Sequoia Current Outlook -- [tools.airfire.org/outlooks/SouthernSierra-Sequoia](https://tools.airfire.org/outlooks/SouthernSierra-Sequoia)  
 \*Smoke and Health Info -- [www.airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=smoke.index](https://www.airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=smoke.index)

