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Special Statement

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Much-improved fire weather conditions WED-THU; however, smoke impacts may increase in areas west-southwest of the Hermits Peak-Calf Canyon fire tonight-WED to include Glorieta, Santa Fe and the Espanola Valley.

Fire

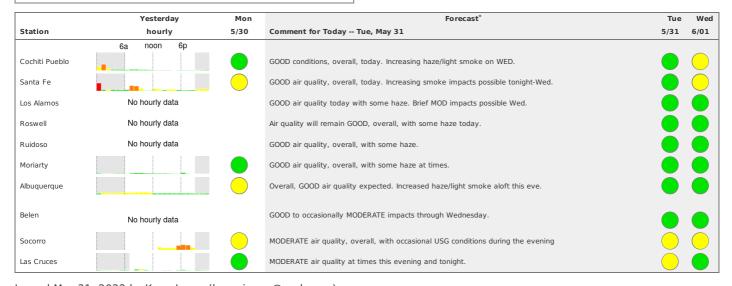
Much weaker transport winds across the area today but still breezy from the southwest, especially along the east slopes of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains where localized critical fire weather conditions will develop. Thereafter, a significant change toward a cooler and more humid weather regime expected. A cold front pushing into northeast New Mexico this morning will press south and west through tonight and Wednesday morning. Developing easterly winds behind this backdoor cold front will be enhanced below the gaps/canyons of the central mountain chain to include Glorieta-Santa Fe, parts of Albuquerque, Belen and near Socorro. The relatively moist easterly flow will bring much-improved weather for late week to include isolated to scattered showers and thunderstorms; however, smoke impacts may increase in areas west of the large fires.

Smoke

Smoke from the largest fires will generally be transported toward the northeast this afternoon. GOOD to MODERATE air quality can be expected for a vast majority of the area with localized USG conditions in the vicinity of Socorro extending south toward Truth or Consequences. Deteriorating air quality may be encountered in the vicinity of Glorieta, Santa Fe, Eldorado and parts of the Espanola Valley and Galisteo Basin late tonight and Wednesday morning as residual smoke gets pushed west southwestward. There may also be increased haze for the Estancia Valley. Significant smoke impacts, if any, becoming much more localized going into Thursday and Friday.

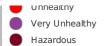


Daily AQI Forecast* for Tuesday



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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.
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People within Sensitive Groups should avoid all physical outdoor activity.

Everyone should avoid prolonged or heavy exertion.

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

Air Quality Alert -- https://forecast.weather.gov/product.php? site=NWS & issuedby=abq& product=AQA & glossary=0

NMDOH Environmental Public Health Tracker -- https://nmtracking.doh.nm.gov/newsroom/Introduction.html



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