Central Washington White River / Irving Peak Fires

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Fire

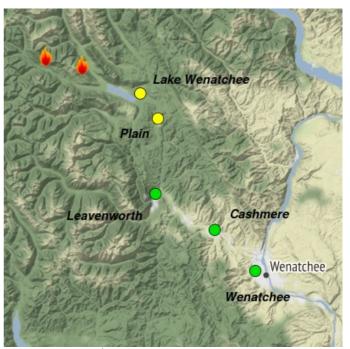
The White River and Irving Peak Fires are burning in the White River and Little Wenatchee drainages upstream from Lake Wenatchee, on either side of Wenatchee Ridge. They have burned a total of 2,522 acres and are each 1% contained. Bulldozers and masticators continue to improve firelines. Fire crews and engines are positioned to hold those lines. Yesterday had modest fire growth, and the same is expected today, with fire backing down steep slopes, continued burning of large fuels within the fire perimeter and some movement sideways along the slope.

Smoke

Quieter winds will tend to keep the smoke in the general area of the fire and Lake Wenatchee during the day. In the evening, after the normal nighttime down valley winds start, smoke will move down the Wenatchee River drainage. By Monday, expect conditions similar to last week, when smoke reached MODERATE levels in Leavenworth, Cashmere, and Wenatchee.

Health and Safety

It is peak fire season, and it is advisable to stay vigilant to air quality in your area. Smoke can travel for long distances, and your town may be impacted at times from fires hundreds of miles away. Please consult your health care provider if you are experiencing any smoke-related health impacts.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Sunday

	Yesterday	Sat	Forecast*	Sun	Mon
Station	hourly	8/27	Comment for Today Sun, Aug 28	8/28	8/29
	6a noon 6p				
Plain	No hourly data		Smoke noticeable, especially midday.		
Lake Wenatchee			MODERATE smoke present, especially in the afternoon.		
Leavenworth			GOOD conditions overall today.		
Cashmere			GOOD overall today.		
Wenatchee			GOOD conditions today.		

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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 reduce prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.
Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups* should avoid all 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

Inciweb Incident Information -- https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8329/ WA Dept of Ecology AQ Forecast -- https://enviwa.ecology.wa.gov/home/map

Washington Smoke Blog -- https://wasmoke.blogspot.com/ WA Dept of Health - Smoke and Health Info -- https://doh.wa.gov/community-andenvironment/air-quality/smoke-fires

