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## Fire

The Pass Fire remains active at 42,703 acres with 13% containment. Low to moderate intensity fire behavior, generally consisting of ground fire, continues to back through Ponderosa Pine and Pinon/juniper fuels on the southwest flank. Low intensity strategic firing operations along the eastern and southeastern flanks of the fire will be conducted today as conditions allow to improve strategic positioning, protect values at risk, and square up the fire's edge. Details on the Pass Fire are available at Pass Fire Inciweb

## **Smoke**

Surface winds are forecasted to have an easterly component, while transport winds are again forecasted to be westerly with smoke transport expected to the east/southeast in the afternoon. Forecast locations immediately to the south of the fire will see periods of Very Unhealthy to Moderate this AM, with conditions improving throughout the day as smoke begins to lift. Forecast locations to the NE will generally see Good air quality today with potential for overnight smoke settling along the Rio Grande near T of C. Overnight pooling of smoke along the Middle Fork of Gila River and down drainage immediately south of the fire will likely occur again tonight.



Daily AQI Forecast\* for Sunday

	Yesterday hourly		Sat 6/03	Forecast* Comment for Today Sun, Jun 04	Sun 6/04	Mon 6/05
Station						
	6a noon	6р				
Alburquerque				Generally Good air quality		
Silver City				Light smoke in the AM improving throughout the day, some settling overnight		
Trouth or Consequenses				Generally Good to Moderate air quality with potential periods of USG overnight		
Magdalena				Generally Good air quality with smoke settling in the evening		
San Lorenzo				Smoke in the AM, improving throughout the day		
Las Cruces				Generally Good air quality		
Cliff Dwellings NM				Unhealthy to Very Unhealthy in the AM, improving throughout the day		
Lake Roberts				Smoke in the AM, improving throughout 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**

Pass Fire Information -- https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/nmgnf-pass- Smoke and Fire Map -- https://fire.airnow.gov/fire

Gila National Forest Facebook -- https://www.facebook.com/GilaNForest

New Mexico DEQ Smoke Resources -- https://www.env.nm.gov/air-quality/firesmoke-links/

Interagency Wildland Fire Air Quality Response Program Outlooks -https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook

