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## Special Statement

Air quality advisories issued. Please look to NWS Seattle for current advisories in your area.

# Fire

Acreage stands at 6,000 acres. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and single tree torching. Containment is 16%. For more fire information, see: Inciweb

#### Smoke

Early this morning there was a wind switch to an easterly flow that is expected to persist today and tomorrow. Fire behavior is expected to increase with a warming and drying trend through this weekend and will result in increased smoke production. Easterly winds will impact areas in closest proximity to the fire and west of the cascades including communities in the Skagit River drainage. Fires in Canada continue to be active and may bring smoke down into our forecast area along the Puget Sound, however impacts are only expected to be MODERATE. Hazy skies expected with GOOD to MODERATE conditions at the surface throughout the forecast area unless the location is nearby active fire.

## **Red Flag Warning**

RED FLAG WARNING in effect from 11 AM this morning to 5 PM Friday for gusty winds as well as dry and unstable conditions. See NWS Seattle for current conditions in your area.



Daily AQI Forecast\* for Thursday

	Yesterday	Wed	Forecast*	Thu	Fri
Station	hourly	8/23	Comment for Today Thu, Aug 24	8/24	8/25
	6a noon 6p			_	
Darrington			Easterly winds expected to bring gradual impacts to the area.		
Concrete	No hourly data		Easterly winds expected to bring gradual impacts to the area.		
Newhalem			Easterly winds expected to bring gradual impacts to the area.		
Twisp			Expecting GOOD to MODERATE conditions for the next 24-48 hours.		
Winthrop			Expecting GOOD to MODERATE conditions for next 24-48 hours.		
Chelan			Expecting GOOD to MODERATE conditions for the next 24-48 hours.		
Stehekin	No hourly data		Expecting GOOD to MODERATE conditions for the next 24-48 hours.		
Wenatchee			Expecting GOOD conditions for the next 48 hours.		
Diablo	No hourly data		Expecting smoke impacts to increase today with a shift to easterly winds.		
Hozomeen	No hourly data		USG to UNHEALTHY conditions expected to continue.		
Bellingham			Wind shift expected to bring gradual impacts to the area from the northeast.		
Seattle			Expecting GOOD to MODERATE air quality for the next 48 hours.		

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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



