Umpqua SW Oregon Anvil, Umpqua NF Fires

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Special Statement

...Red Flag Warning for Curry County until 11 AM Tuesday... ... Air Quality Advisory for Curry and Southern Josephine counties until 11 PM Wednesday...

Fire

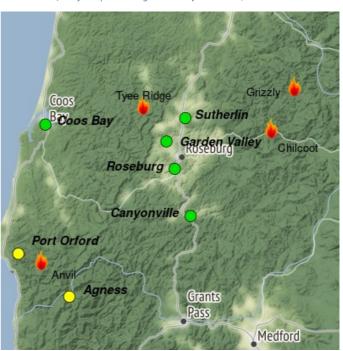
Active burning on Anvil fire continues, with the fire expanding to over 9000 acres and zero containment. Much of the fire remains in a drier elevation above the moist marine layer. A weather change, with cooler conditions should reduce smoke for most of the areas north and east of the Anvil Fire this week. Additional details on the fires are available at Anvil, Tyee Ridge, Chilcoot, and other fires Inciweb.

Smoke

Winds will usher significant smoke south along the coast and to some degree inland through midweek. Smoke is mixing with fog, and does not readily disburse well into the day. Most impacted communities will be the 101 corridor from Port Orford to Brookings, and communities along the Rogue River. Good AQ will prevail for the I-5 corridor and Umpqua NF. Monitor air quality by visiting the Fire and Smoke Мар.

Roadway Visibility

The mixture of smoke and marine fog will lead to very low visibility at times along the US Highway 101 corridor from south of Port Orford to the Gold Beach access. Additionally, periods of reduced visibility will be possible on the Agness and Silver Creek Roads overnight. Motorists should allow for sudden reduced visibility to as low as a guarter mile or less at times into afternoon.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Tuesday

| | Yesterday | Mon | Forecast* | Tue | Wed |
|---------------|----------------|------|---|------|------|
| Station | hourly | 9/18 | Comment for Today Tue, Sep 19 | 9/19 | 9/20 |
| | 6a noon 6p | | | | |
| Coos Bay | | | GOOD AQ will continue due to favorable winds | | |
| Agness | No hourly data | | Temporary improvement in AQ today with some smoke settling late tonight | | |
| Port Orford | No hourly data | | Proximity of Anvil Fire will bring periods of reduced AQ | | |
| Roseburg | | | Favorable wind and reduced fire activity will keep GOOD AQ in place | | |
| Sutherlin | No hourly data | | GOOD AQ expected well into the week due to favorable weather | | |
| Garden Valley | No hourly data | | Favorable weather should minimize smoke potential | | |
| Canyonville | No hourly data | | GOOD AQ this week due to favorable weather | | |

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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

