

# Smoke Outlook

SW Oregon Smith River/Happy Camp/Six Rivers Complex

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9/12 - 9/13

## Fire

Hot, dry, windy conditions are expected to move into the fire areas today. Increased internal smoldering can be expected, along with continued firing operations on Smith River Complex to secure containment lines. Arrival of NE winds this afternoon will push active fire edges back into the black and reduce large fire growth potentials.

#### Smoke

Overcast skies paired with overnight smoke pooling will hold surface level smoke in place until late morning. As the cloud cover lifts and NW winds shift to NE this evening, the geographic smoke impacts will shift to locations along the coast, and south of Oregon border. Continued high level haze will shuffle into the forecast area with periodic surface impacts between MOD-UNHEALTHY.



Daily AQI Forecast\* for Tuesday

	Yesterday	Mon	Forecast*	Tue	Wed
Station	hourly	9/11	Comment for Today Tue, Sep 12	9/12	9/13
	6a noon 6p	-		-	-
Klamath Glen			Overall GOOD air quality with potential periods of MODERATE/USG.		$\bigcirc$
Gasquet	No hourly data		VERY UNHEALTHY conditions and heavy smoke expected.		
Orleans		$\bigcirc$	Overall MODERATE air quality with periods of heavy smoke.		$\bigcirc$
Brookings			Moming cloud cover will lift late moming. Clear skies until NE winds arrive PM		
Happy Camp	No hourly data		Incoming NE winds this afternoon will bring improving conditions		
Medford			Light haze hanging in the area will clear in the late afternoon		
Grants Pass			Clearing skies this morning, followed by incoming smoke from the NE fires		$\bigcirc$
Ashland			Expect high level haze to surface MODERATE impacts periodically today.		
Cave Junction			Overcast skies this AM will limit clearing until late afternoon		$\bigcirc$
Yreka			Improving conditions throughout the day. High level haze remains.		
Crescent City			Overall MODERATE air quality, with periods of USG/UNHEALTHY.	$\bigcirc$	
Seiad Valley			Improving conditions for most of the day as NW then NE winds arrive.		

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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 <sup>*</sup> should <b>reduce</b> prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.	
🛑 Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups <sup>*</sup> 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**

Inciweb -- https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/



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