West-Central Oregon - Lookout, Bedrock, and Petes Lake Fires

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Fire

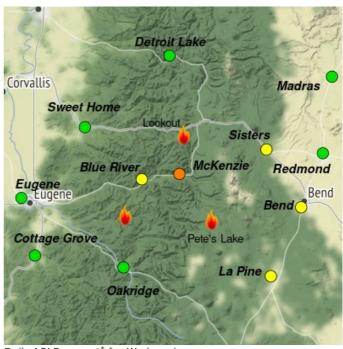
Fire activity has reduced with two days of cool weather and should reduce further with the potential for light rain today and tomorrow. Currently the Lookout fire is 25,515 acres with 50% containment. Petes Lake fire is 3,086 acres with 0% containment. Latest fire information is available at InciWeb: tinyurl.com/Fire-Information

Smoke

Smoke production has decreased and air quality will continue to improve as light rain impacts the area today and tomorrow. The winds will shift to come from the north during the day, which will help flush out any lingering smoke in Sisters, Redmond, and Bend. The Willamette Valley and areas north of the fires will continue to have GOOD air quality. La Pine may see periods of MODERATE air quality as winds push smoke into the area. Areas closest to the fires can expect UNHEALTHY conditions peaking in the afternoon.

Special Statement

The most current conditions can be accessed on the Fire and Smoke \mbox{Map} .



Daily AQI Forecast* for Wednesday

	Yesterday	Tue	Forecast*	Wed	Thu
Station	hourly	9/19	Comment for Today Wed, Sep 20	9/20	9/21
	6a noon 6p				
Sweet Home			Air quality will continue to be GOOD in the area.		
Detroit Lake			GOOD air quality today.		
Cottage Grove			Expect GOOD air quality throughout the day.		
Oakridge			GOOD air quality throughout the day.		
Madras			GOOD air quality today.		
Eugene			GOOD air quality throughout the day.		
Redmond			MODERATE air quality early improving to GOOD during the day.		
Bend			MODERATE air quality today improving later in the day.		
La Pine			MODERATE air quality as smoke continues.		
Sisters			MODERATE air quality during the day with periods of USG.		
Blue River	No hourly data		MODERATE air quality with increasing smoke today.		
McKenzie			MODERATE conditions degrading to UNHEALTHY, peaking at midday.		

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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

AirNow Fire & Smoke Map -- https://fire.airnow.gov Oregon Smoke Blog -- https://oregonsmoke.org Oregon Health Authority Community Wildfire Resources -https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforwildfire.aspx

