



# Smoke Outlook

## SW Oregon Smith River Complex

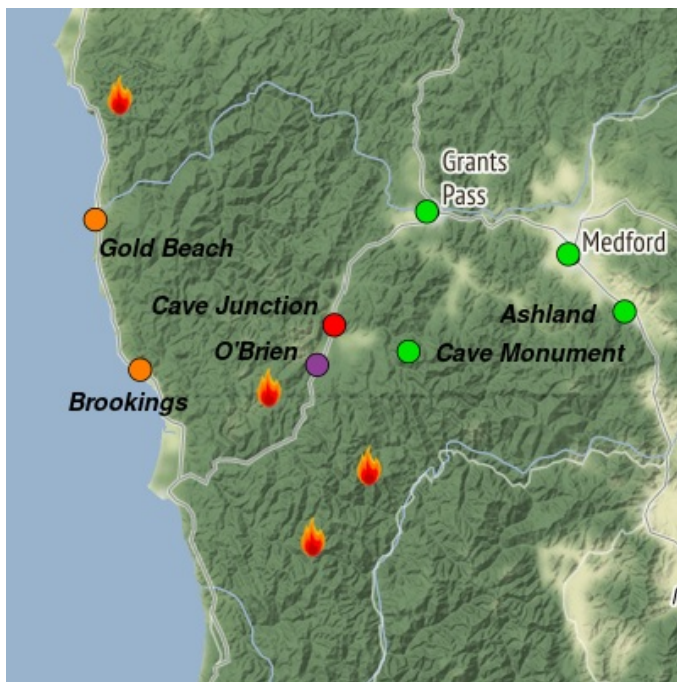
# 9/18 - 9/19

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**Fire**  
Minimal fire activity from Smith River North expected today. Continuing fire activity from Smith River South in California and Anvil fire in Oregon to our NW is expected today. Cooler temperatures, higher relative humidity, and cloud cover will limit fire activity in the area.

**Smoke**  
Decreasing smoke throughout the area with reduced local fire activity. GOOD air quality in Grants Pass, Medford, and Ashland today. O'Brien and Cave Junction will experience smoke impacts through afternoon. NE winds arriving late afternoon will help clear smoke impacts with possible settling of smoke overnight. Gold Beach and Brookings will experience smoke impacts from Anvil fire to the north.

**HWY 199 RESTRICTIONS**  
If you're traveling around the SW Oregon and Northern California area, check the fire specific smoke forecasts on the fire and smoke map before you go. Link provided below. HWY 199 has controlled access with one-way pilot cars assigned. Expect 3hr delays and periods of very restricted access. Avoid this area if possible.



Daily AQI Forecast\* for Monday

Station	Yesterday hourly		Sun 9/17	Comment for Today -- Mon, Sep 18	Forecast*	
	6a	noon			6p	Mon 9/18
Gold Beach	No hourly data			North winds will continue direct smoke impacts from Anvil Fire	Orange	Orange
Medford			Yellow	GOOD air quality as N-NE winds clear remaining smoke impacts	Green	Green
Grants Pass			Yellow	GOOD air quality as N-NE winds clear remaining smoke impacts	Green	Green
Ashland			Yellow	GOOD air quality as N-NE winds clear remaining smoke impacts	Green	Green
Cave Monument	No hourly data			GOOD air quality as N-NE winds clear remaining smoke impacts	Green	Green
Cave Junction			Red	HAZARDOUS conditions in the early morning with clearing by early evening.	Red	Yellow
O'Brien	No hourly data			HAZARDOUS conditions in the early morning with clearing winds arriving late PM	Purple	Orange
Brookings			Yellow	MODERATE impacts through the day with potential for pulses of USG-UNHEALTHY	Orange	Orange

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Air Quality Index (AQI)	Actions to Protect Yourself
Green - Good	None
Yellow - Moderate	Unusually sensitive individuals should consider limiting prolonged or heavy exertion.
Orange - USG	People within Sensitive Groups* should <b>reduce</b> prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.
Red - Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups* should <b>avoid all</b> physical outdoor activity.
Purple - Very Unhealthy	Everyone should avoid prolonged or heavy exertion.
Dark Red - 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/) -- <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/>
- [Oregon Smoke Blog & Air Quality](https://www.oregonsmoke.org/) -- <https://www.oregonsmoke.org/>
- [Fire & Smoke Map](https://fire.airnow.gov/) -- <https://fire.airnow.gov/>
- [Oregon TripCheck](https://tripcheck.com/DynamicReports/Report/RoadConditions) -- <https://tripcheck.com/DynamicReports/Report/RoadConditions>



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