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Fire

The fire is at 438 acres today, having gained 10 acres since yesterday. As per the Fire Behavior Analyst, fire has been primarily confined to surface fuels with limited torching and short crown runs due to higher foliar moistures. Continued higher humidity and lower wind speed today will result in low potential rates of spread today, with limited surface fire spread, and reduced spotting potential. Infrared data shows only a 10 acre increase in fire size from yesterday, even with high winds experienced across the fire area.

Smoke

Smoke generation from reduced fire activity shouldn't pose a threat to air quality. Wind across the fire area should keep smoke well dispersed. Smoke may still be visible from communities surrounding the fire area. Snow cover should keep smoke production to a minimum through Sunday/Monday.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Saturday

	Yesterday	Fri	Forecast*	Sat	Sun
Station	hourly	10/27	Comment for Today Sat, Oct 28	10/28	10/29
	6a noon 6p				
Colorado College			Air quality should remain Good.		
Pueblo area	No hourly data		From PurpleAir sensor - Air quality should remain Good. Smoke may be visible.		
Colorado City Area	No hourly data		From PurpleAir sensor - Air quality should remain Good. Smoke may be visible.		

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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

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

Fire and Smoke Map -- https://fire.airnow.gov



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