



Smoke Outlook

NE Oregon Multiple Fires

7/26 - 7/27

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Special Statement

An Air Quality Alert has been issued by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality for Harney, Malheur, Grant, and Baker Counties until further notice.

Fire

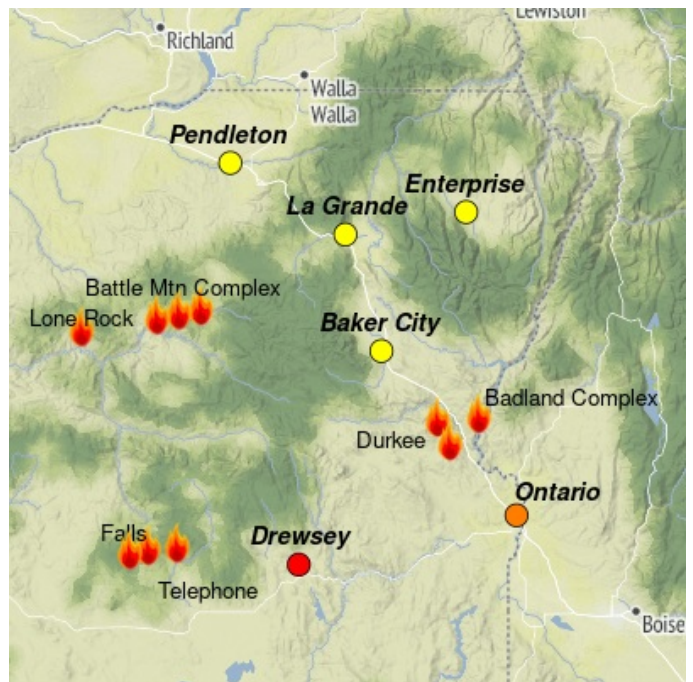
There are multiple fires affecting the forecast area. For more information on these incidents, please visit [Inciweb](#).

Smoke

Widespread haze and significant smoke impacts are expected again today as smoke from multiple large fires as well as many new starts from recent lightning continue to affect the area. In areas with heavy smoke this morning, the smoke will be slow to lift because of a deep inversion. Breezy conditions today are expected to drive active fire behavior and growth. Winds from the west and northwest are expected, pushing smoke into those communities east and southeast of active fires. Those communities will see smoke this afternoon and evening. Pendleton, La Grande, Baker City and Enterprise will see the best air quality with MODERATE conditions expected. Smoke will blow into Ontario this morning with periods of USG to UNHEALTHY conditions throughout the day. Drewsey started the day with VERY UNHEALTHY conditions won't see significant improvements as smoke from Falls, Telephone and other fires will blow smoke into town resulting in UNHEALTHY to VERY UNHEALTHY conditions to persist.

Additional Smoke Outlooks

Smoke Outlooks for adjacent areas are posted on the [Fire and Smoke Map](#).



Daily AQI Forecast* for Friday

Station	Yesterday hourly	Thu 7/25	Comment for Today -- Fri, Jul 26	Forecast*	Fri 7/26	Sat 7/27
Ontario	6a noon 6p	●	Conditions deteriorate today to USG to UNHEALTHY today.	●	●	●
La Grande		●	Hazy skies with MODERATE air quality expected	●	●	●
Enterprise		●	Hazy skies and MODERATE conditions today, increasing to USG this evening.	●	●	●
Pendleton		●	Hazy skies and MODERATE air quality expected.	●	●	●
Baker City		●	MODERATE this morning then degrading to USG-UNHEALTHY this evening.	●	●	●
Drewsey	No hourly data		VERY UNHEALTHY to UNHEALTHY overall as smoke from nearby fires affects the area.	●	●	●

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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

[Oregon Health Authority- Wildfires & Smoke --](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforwildfire.aspx)
[Oregon Department of Environmental Quality- Air Quality --](https://www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/pages/aqi.aspx)



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