



Smoke Outlook

Eastern 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, Wheeler, Grant, Umatilla, Morrow, Counties.

Fire

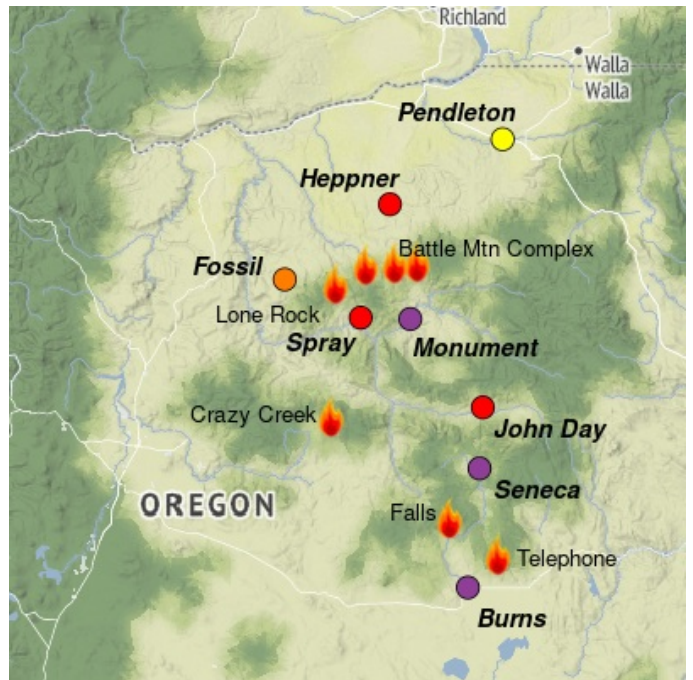
There are multiple fires affecting the forecast area. For more information on these incidents, please visit [Inciweb](#).

Smoke

This morning, there is a strong inversion, holding heavy smoke in place in Burns, Seneca, and John Day. Winds are expected to be from the northwest in the morning, turning more westerly throughout the day. Winds may be gusty at times this afternoon, leading to greater smoke impacts in areas east of active fires. Burns and Seneca are expected to have VERY UNHEALTHY air quality overall, and John Day is expected to have UNHEALTHY conditions due to the inversion and smoke from multiple fires. Once the inversion breaks down, smoke will mix up and out, leading to slightly better conditions in these areas. Due to their proximity to active fires, Monument is expected to have VERY UNHEALTHY conditions and Spray is expected to have UNHEALTHY conditions. UNHEALTHY conditions are expected in Heppner, where smoke from multiple fires is expected to move in.

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
Pendleton	6a noon 6p		Hazy skies and MODERATE air quality expected.			
Burns - Washington St.			VERY UNHEALTHY conditions expected overall			
John Day			UNHEALTHY conditions overall, with air quality improving slightly during the day			
Seneca			VERY UNHEALTHY conditions expected overall			
Fossil	No hourly data		Air quality expected to be USG overall			
Monument	No hourly data		UNHEALTHY to VERY UNHEALTHY conditions expected			
Spray	No hourly data		Overall UNHEALTHY conditions expected			
Heppner			Air quality expected to worsen throughout the day			

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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)
[Smoke Ready Toolbox --](https://www.epa.gov/air-research/smoke-ready-toolbox-wildfires)
www.wildlandfiresmoke.net
<https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlook/079f0f73>
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