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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.

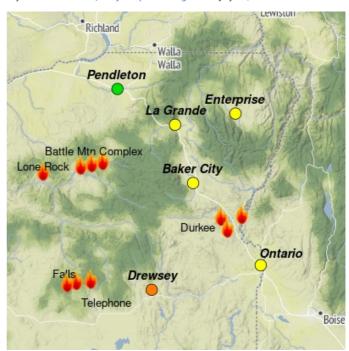
Fire

There are multiple fires affecting the forecast area. For more information on these incidents, please visit Inciweb.

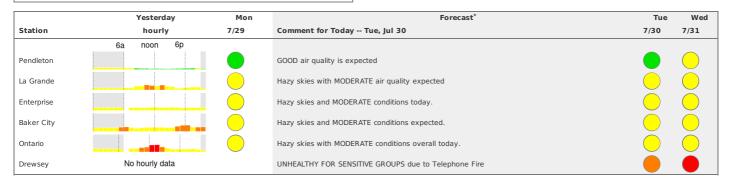
The passage of a weak cold front yesterday brought cleaner air into the region with a wind shift to a more northerly direction and even some rain in some locations. The air quality this morning is as good as it has been for the last week. Behind the cold front, temperatures are cooler and relative humidity values have increased which should help limit smoke production today to amounts less than previous days. However, communities to the east of, and in close proximity to, the most active fires will continue to experience smoke. Drewsey is expected to experience smoke in the UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS range. MODERATE conditions are expected in communities along the southern portions of the I-84 corridor, but there may be a brief period of elevated smoke in Ontario this afternoon. GOOD conditions are expected in Pendleton as westerly winds usher in cleaner air.

Additional Smoke Outlooks

Smoke Outlooks for adjacent areas are posted on the Fire and Smoke Map.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Tuesday



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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 https://www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/pages/aqi.aspx

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