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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.

Fire

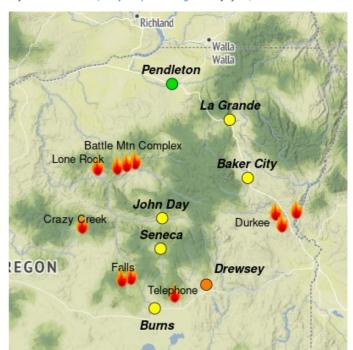
There are multiple fires affecting the forecast area. For more information on these incidents, please visit Inciweb.

Smoke

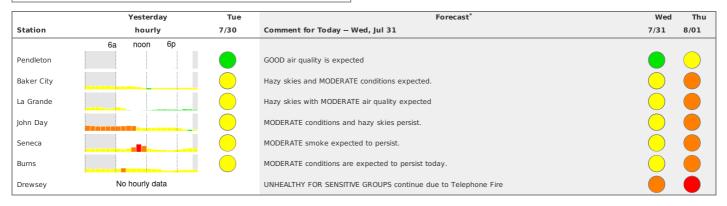
Smoke: Air quality was improved yesterday in the region after Monday's frontal passage, but this reprieve is expected to be short-lived as the temperatures warm and fire activity increases later in the week. The poorest air quality today will occur in communities closest to the fires. Drewsey is expected to experience smoke in the UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS range as a result of light westerly winds and the Telephone Fire. MODERATE conditions are expected in communities along the I-84 and US-395 corridors. Smoke levels are expected to remain GOOD in Pendleton. Air quality is expected to be worse tomorrow as smoke from local and regional fires increase and as the wind patterns become favorable for impacts from the Park Fire in California.

Additional Smoke Outlooks

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



Daily AQI Forecast* for Wednesday



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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 -- Oregon Department of Environmental Quality - Air Quality - https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforwildfire.aspx https://www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/pages/aqi.aspx

