



Smoke Outlook

Central Mountains Central Mountain Fires

8/29 - 8/30

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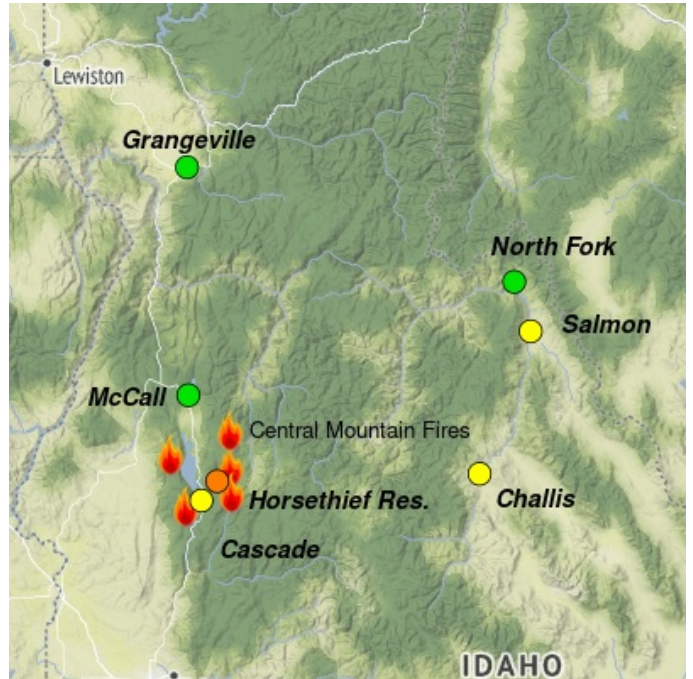
IDEQ has issued an Air Quality Advisory for Boise, Custer, and Valley counties. [IDEQ AQAs](#)

Fire

Warm and dry weather is expected to produce another active fire day. Tactical firing operations are planned to secure sections of line on the Snag and Dollar fires. Expected fire behavior includes, creeping, backing, and group tree torching. Additional information can be found at [West Mountain Fires Inciweb](#)

Smoke

GOOD air quality is expected for Grangeville and McCall today. There is a possibility for brief periods of MODERATE for McCall in the mid-morning and Grangeville in the PM. The southern Long Valley is expected to see air quality values that range from MODERATE to brief periods of VERY UNHEALTHY. Horsethief will begin the day with UNHEALTHY air quality and could see VERY UNHEALTHY during the morning mixing hours, and generally MODERATE throughout the remainder of the day. In Cascade, air quality will be UNHEALTHY in the morning hours, could briefly see USG during the late morning hours before transitioning to MODERATE. North Fork is expected to see GOOD air quality throughout the day. Salmon and Challis should see GOOD air quality in the morning and afternoon, but brief periods of MODERATE are possible as smoke from nearby fires pools in the evening to nighttime hours.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Thursday

Station	Yesterday			Wed 8/28	Forecast*	Thu 8/29	Fri 8/30
	hourly						
Grangeville	6a noon 6p			●	GOOD air quality today with potential for periods of MODERATE from Ag burning	●	●
McCall				●	Generally GOOD AQ today with potential for brief periods of MODERATE in AM	●	●
Cascade				●	Day begins UNHEALTHY, improving to MODERATE in late AM	●	●
Horsethief Reservoir				●	Periods of USG to VERY UNHEALTHY in the AM, improving by midafternoon	●	●
Salmon				●	Generally MODERATE air quality under, potential for USG in PM	●	●
North Fork				●	Generally GOOD air quality under NW winds, brief periods of MODERATE in PM	●	●
Challis	No hourly data				Generally MODERATE throughout the day, potential smoke settling in the late PM	●	●

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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.



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