Northern California-Coastal Mountains Boise Fire

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Special Statement

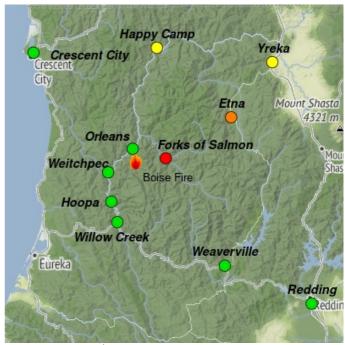
...ERRATIC, GUSTY OUTFLOW WINDS from showers/thunderstorms today... ...Locally dense SMOKE-INDUCED FOG possible tonight, especially Salmon River Hwy, Forks of Salmon and Cecilville areas...

Fire

The Boise Fire is estimated at 11,426 acres this morning, which reflected an increase of 893 acres during the past 24-hours. Containment is at 7 percent.

Smoke

Periods of heavy smoke will persist east and northeast of the fire early today to include the Salmon River Highway, Forks of Salmon, Cecilville and Etna before smoke impacts here decrease later today into the evening. A significant shift in smoke transport toward the north-northeast coupled with favorable weather conditions to include wetting rainfall will lead to greatly improved air quality for much of the outlook area next 24-36 hours. Areas farther north to include Happy Camp and Seiad Valley may see smoke aloft through early afternoon with brief periods of MODERATE air quality. Meanwhile, the Highway 96 corridor immediately west of the fire will have GOOD air quality through much of the day.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Saturday

	Yesterday	Fri	Forecast*	Sat	Sun
Station	hourly	8/16	Comment for Today Sat, Aug 17	8/17	8/18
Weitchpec	6a noon 6p		Overall, GOOD air quality this weekend. Locally dense smoke-induced fog tonight.		
Crescent City	No hourly data		GOOD air quality expected through the forecast period.		
Yreka			MODERATE air quality early today with improvement mid or late PM into SUN.		
Redding			GOOD to occasionally MODERATE air quality this weekend.		
Weaverville			GOOD to occasionally MODERATE air quality this weekend.		
Willow Creek	No hourly data		GOOD to occasionally MODERATE air quality this weekend.		
Forks of Salmon	No hourly data		UNHEALTHY air quality through early PM; general improvement late day into SUN.		
Etna			UNHEALTHY air quality through early today; general improvement late day into SUN		
Нарру Сатр			Increasing smoke aloft through early PM; otherwise GOOD to MODERATE air quality.		
Orleans			Overall, GOOD air quality this weekend. Locally dense smoke-induced fog tonight.		
Ноора			Overall, GOOD air quality this weekend. Locally dense smoke-induced fog tonight.		

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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

California Smoke Blog -- https://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/

Smoke Ready California -- https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/smokereadyca

