Mid Columbia Gorge Whisky, Williams, Sandstone

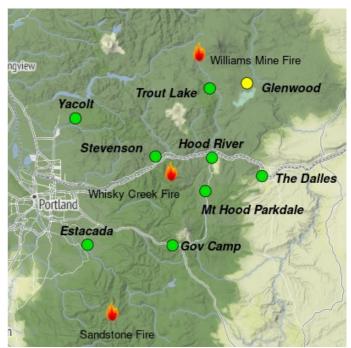
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Fire

At the Whisky Creek Fire, fire crews continue to dig handlines while helicopters with buckets drop water directly on any active fire. Today, winds will be westerly and temperatures in the 60s are expected. Increased fire activity is expected later this afternoon. The Whisky Creek Fire is currently 1865 acres. The Sandstone Fire is creeping and smoldering within the perimeter of a wildfire that burned in 2006. Some increased fire activity is expected this afternoon. Crews are planning to use direct strategies where possible. The fire is 625 acres in size. At the Williams Mine Fire, west winds and drier air will increase fire activity. The fire is 10584 acres in size.

Smoke

Winds will remain westerly, providing Good air quality for most of the outlook area. Winds are expected to remain westerly through the week. Air quality will generally be between Good to Moderate for much of the smoke outlook area with localized areas of smoke pooling for locations nearest to the Williams Mine, Whisky Creek, and Sandstone Fires.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Tuesday

	Yesterday	Mon	Forecast*	Tue	Wed
Station	hourly	8/12	Comment for Today Tue, Aug 13	8/13	8/14
_	6a noon 6p	_		_	_
Estacada			Good air quality is expected.		
Yacolt			Good air quality is expected.		
Stevenson			Good air quality is expected.		
Gov Camp			Good air quality is expected.		
Hood River			Good air quality is expected with possible Moderate during overnight hours.		
Mt Hood Parkdale			Good air quality is expected with possible Moderate during overnight hours.		
The Dalles			Good air quality is expected with possible Moderate during overnight hours.		
Mt Adams RS			Air quality will be Good with periods of poor air quality as winds shift.		
Glenwood			Air quality will be Good to Moderate with poor air quality as winds shift.		

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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.

