



Smoke Outlook

8/14 - 8/15

Mid Columbia Gorge Whisky, Williams, and Sandstone Fires

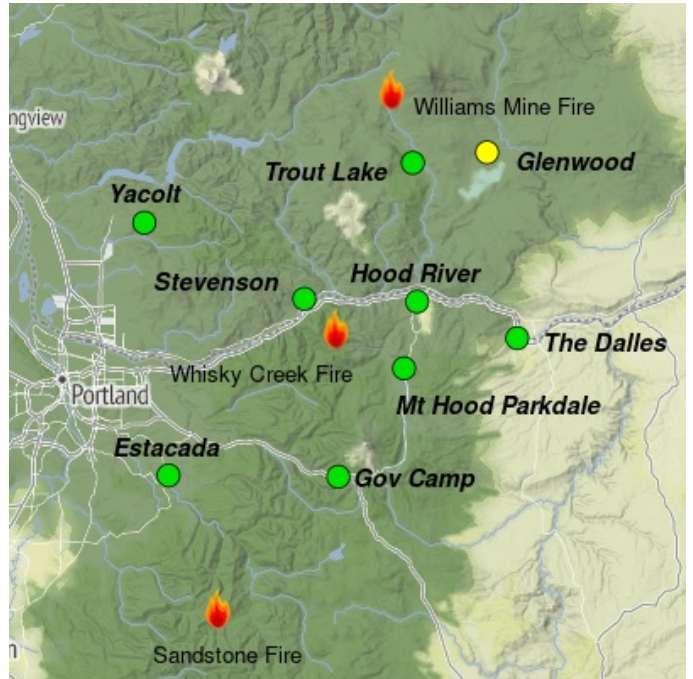
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Fire

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 1,903 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 10,968 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 rest of the week with some terrain-driven winds near the Williams Mine Fire. Air quality will generally be between Good for much of the smoke outlook area with localized smoke pooling during nighttime hours for locations nearest to fires, particularly in communities near the Williams Mine Fire. There is a slight chance of rain showers tonight.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Wednesday

Station	Yesterday			Tue 8/13	Comment for Today -- Wed, Aug 14	Forecast*	
	hourly					Wed 8/14	Thu 8/15
	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.		
Mt Hood Parkdale					Good air quality is expected.		
Hood River					Good air quality is expected.		
The Dalles					Good air quality is expected with possible Moderate during overnight hours.		
Trout Lake					Air quality will be Good with periods of poor air quality with calming winds.		
Glenwood					Air quality will be Moderate with poor air quality overnight with calming winds.		

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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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