



Smoke Outlook

North Central Idaho / SW Montana

8/25 - 8/26

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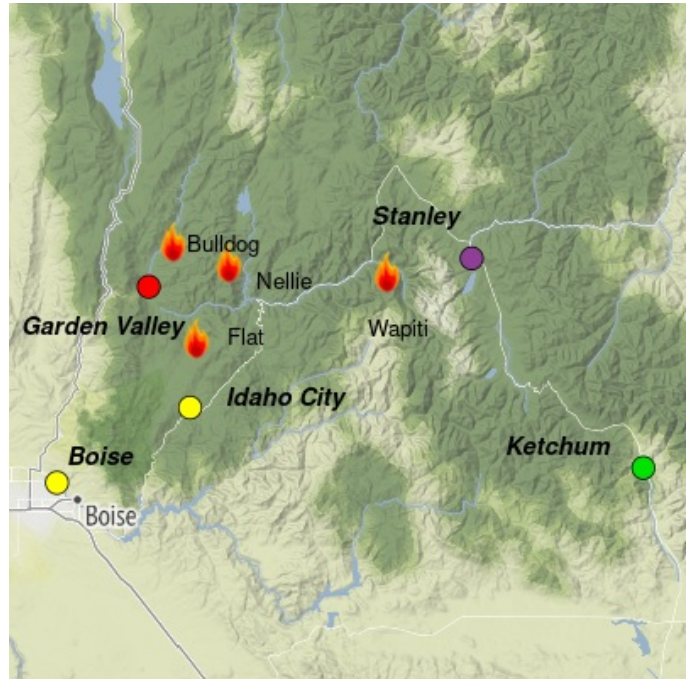
AIR QUALITY ALERT until at least 3 PM Monday.

Fire

The reported acres remain unchanged today due to IR flight unable to fly due to weather; **Middle Fork Complex** totals 46,703 acres. The **Wapiti Fire** is at 68,457 acres, and the **Flat Fire** is at 3,734 acres. A chance of showers remain across the fire area today, but weather becomes warmer and drier throughout the week. Rate of fire spread will continue to be limited and fire behavior will mostly be smoldering, creeping, and isolated active runs.

Smoke

Heaviest smoke impacts will continue in valleys and low-lying areas near the immediate vicinity of the fire. Along HWY-21 from Lowman to Banner Creek Pass and Stanley, including the entire Sawtooth Valley, will have heaviest smoke impacts. Moderate-to-heavy smoke impacts will be along HWY-75 and the SH-17 corridor from Crouch/Garden Valley to Lowman. Tomorrow into early mid-week, warming and drying conditions may lead to more active smoke production.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Sunday

Station	Yesterday			Sat 8/24	Comment for Today -- Sun, Aug 25	Forecast*	
	6a	noon	6p			Sun 8/25	Mon 8/26
Ketchum					GOOD to MODERATE AQ due to afternoon precipitation and winds from the south.		
Idaho City					GOOD air quality with periods disperse smoke aloft, MODERATE at times.		
Boise					Generally GOOD air quality today with potential periods of MODERATE.		
Stanley					UNHEALTHY to VERY UNHEALTHY, persistent throughout the day.		
Garden Valley					Generally VERY UNHEALTHY, with slight variabilities due to fire activity.		

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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

[Middle Fork Complex \(Bulldog, Nellie\)](#) -- <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-middle-fork-complex-fire-bulldog-nellie-anderson>
[Flat Fire](#) -- <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idids-2024-flat>

[Wapiti Fire](#) -- <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-wapiti-fire>
[IDEQ Smoke Blog](#) -- <https://idsmoke.blogspot.com/>



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*Smoke and Health Info -- www.airnow.gov/air-quality-and-health