North Central Washington - Pioneer and Easy Fires

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Special Statement

*** Air Quality Alert*** An Air Quality Alert continues for all of Okanogan and Ferry Counties, as well as the Colville Reservation is in effect until further notice, due to expected smoke from nearby and regional wildfires. The Air Quality Alert has ended for Chelan and Asotin counties.

Fire

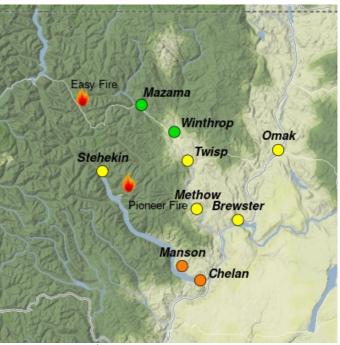
Yesterday and overnight, wildfire activity remained significant in North Central Washington, and this trend is expected to continue over the next few days, potentially leading to further fire growth. For live updates, visit Inciweb.

Smoke

Smoke impacts from the Pioneer Fire will be most noticeable around Lake Chelan throughout the day, with some relief expected in the afternoon. Most areas east of Chelan County will experience less smoke. However, smoke from the Swawilla Fire will continue to impact Okanogan County more heavily over the next few days.

State Department of Ecology

Data from the Winthrop monitor can be viewed here.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Saturday

	Yesterday	Fri	Forecast*	Sat	Sun
Station	hourly	8/02	Comment for Today Sat, Aug 03	8/03	8/04
	6a noon 6p			_	_
Chelan			Overall USG air quality for the next two days		
Mazama	No hourly data		GOOD AQ overall today, though late afternoon may have MODERATE		
Manson			expected smoke all day and night with some relief this afternoon		
Stehekin			Overall MODERATE air quality, tomorrow expect clearing air		
Brewster	No hourly data		Smoke from multiple fires impacting today and tomorrow.		
Winthrop	No hourly data		Overall GOOD air quality today, MODERATE tomorrow		
Omak			MODERATE air quality through tomorrow, chance of USG Monday		
Methow	No hourly data		Today MODERATE air quality, clearing overnight		
Twisp	No hourly data		MODERATE air quality during daylight hours, tomorrow may be UNHEALTHY		

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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

Pioneer Fire Inciweb -- https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wases-pioneer

WA Smoke Blog -- https://wasmoke.blogspot.com/

WA DOE Smoke Monitor Data -- https://enviwa.ecology.wa.gov/mobile/

Fire & Smoke Map -- https://fire.airnow.gov/

 ${\bf Smoke\ Health\ Impacts\ --\ https://ecology.wa.gov/Air-C\ limate/Air-quality/S\ moke-fire/Health-effects}$

WA Dept of Health - Smoke from fires -- http://www.doh.wa.gov/smokefromfires

