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Special Statement

...Air Quality Advisory from the Oregon DEQ for Harney and Malheur Counties until Noon Wednesday...

Fire

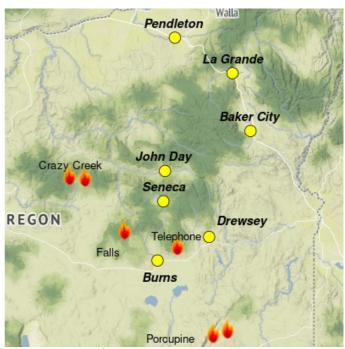
A new fire the "Porcupine" east of Malheur Lake grew to over 5000 acres late Monday, elsewhere there remains multiple fires over southern Oregon affecting the forecast area. For more information on these incidents, please visit Inciweb.

Smoke

Due to dry and breezy afternoon conditions there was active fire on portions of Telephone, Crazy Creek and the Falls fires Monday. This was largely due to tactical burning to create a long term controlled perimeter. Lingering smoke from area fires will continue. Periods of USG will be possible for Burns, John Day and Seneca. Average AQ levels should remain MODERATE at all sites today and Wednesday. Refer to the interactive Smoke and AQ Forecast for specifics.

Additional Smoke Outlooks

Smoke Outlooks for adjacent areas are posted on the Fire and Smoke Map .



Daily AQI Forecast* for Tuesday

	Yesterday	Mon	Forecast*	Tue	Wed
Station	hourly	8/05	Comment for Today Tue, Aug 06	8/06	8/07
	6a noon 6p				
John Day			MODERATE AQ Continuing into Midweek		
Seneca	No hourly data		MODERATE conditions through Midweek with periods USG in Morning		
Drewsey	No hourly data		MODERATE average Air Quality continues through Midweek		
Baker City			MODERATE AQ with Light Smoke and Haze from Regional Fires		
Burns			MODERATE AQ due to Wind and Regional Fires		
Pendleton			MODERATE with Periods GOOD AQ through Midweek		
La Grande			MODERATE AQ with periods GOOD through midweek		

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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

Oregon Health Authority- Wildfires & Smoke --

https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforwildfire.aspx

Oregon Health Authority - Preventing Heat-related Illnesses -https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforextremeheat.aspx?

https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforextremeheat.aspx?utm_source=OHA&utm_medium=egov_redirect&utm_campaign=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.oregon.gov%2Fheat

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality- Air Quality --

https://www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/pages/aqi.aspx

