



Smoke Outlook

Western Idaho Limepoint

8/18 - 8/19

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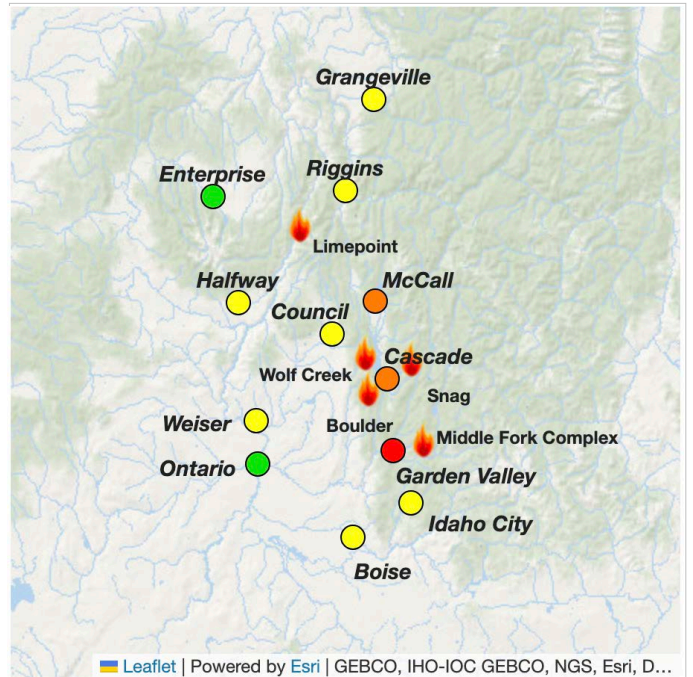
*** Idaho DEQ has issued an Air Quality Alert (Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups) until 3PM Monday for Boise County.

Fire

Active fire growth will probably continue today though cooler temperatures may help. The Limepoint Fire grew somewhat yesterday as did other fires near Cascade. For more information on the Limepoint Fire, the West Mountain Complex (Boulder, Snag, Wolf Creek, Dollar), and the Middle Complex wildfire incidents, please visit [Inciweb](#).

Smoke

The West Mountain Fire Complex and Middle Fork Fire Complex are the primary sources of smoke. Smoke production is expected to be heavy today, with large columns possible, especially in the afternoon. However, winds should push much of today's smoke northeast of the Highway 55 corridor though McCall may again experience some. Overnight, cool temperatures and low winds will likely cause smoke from smoldering fires to settle into valleys. Areas west of the U.S. Route 95 corridor should continue to experience no worse than MODERATE air quality.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Sunday

Station	Yesterday hourly			Sat 8/17	Comment for Today -- Sun, Aug 18	Forecast*	
	6a	noon	6p			Sun 8/18	Mon 8/19
Ontario					GOOD air quality expected today		
Enterprise					Little wildfire smoke air quality impact expected today		
Weiser PM25					light smoke and haze expected all day		
McCall					Winds should help clear the air today though some smoke may persist		
Boise					MODERATE air quality expected today		
Cascade	No hourly data				smoke mixing to the ground overnight will significantly reduce air quality		
Halfway	No hourly data				MODERATE air quality expected today		
Grangeville					Fires to the south will continue to smoke the area		
Council	No hourly data				Haze will again be observable on the hills and smoke aloft on the horizon		
Riggins	No hourly data				Some smoke & haze today		
Idaho City					MODERATE air quality with USG in the afternoon.		
Garden Valley					USG in the morning, increasing to V UNHEALTHY by midday, afternoon improvement.		

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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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