Mid Columbia Gorge -Whisky, Sandstone, and Williams Mine Fires

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Special Statement

FLASH FLOOD WATCH in effect from August 17, 02:00 PM PDT until August 18, 02:00 AM PDT

Fire

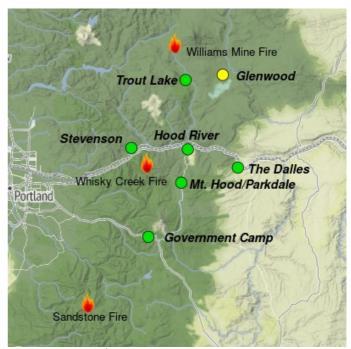
The Whisky Creek Fire is 1,951 acres and 9% contained. Fire crews continue to dig handlines and hold and secure completed line.

The Sandstone Fire is 696 acres and 19% contained. The fire is creeping and smoldering within the perimeter of a wildfire that burned in 2006. Crews are using direct strategies where possible.

The Williams Mine Fire is 11,555 acres and 2% contained. Fire crews are taking direct tactics and close indirect actions, some increased fire activity is expected ahead of potential precipitation.

Smoke

GOOD air quality for most of the outlook area. Localized smoke pooling during overnight and morning hours for the Trout Lake and Glenwood areas may be moderated Saturday night to Sunday morning due to rain and storm activity. There is a likelihood of afternoon/evening rain and thunderstorms on Saturday over the entire outlook area.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Saturday

		Yesterd	ay	Fri	Forecast*	Sat	Sun
Station	hourly			8/16	Comment for Today Sat, Aug 17	8/17	8/18
	6a	noon	6р				
Government Camp					GOOD air quality is expected for the next few days.		
Mt. Hood/Parkdale					GOOD air quality is expected the next few days.		
Stevenson					In general, GOOD air quality is expected.		
Hood River					GOOD air quality is expected.		
The Dalles					In general, GOOD air quality is expected.		
Trout Lake					GOOD to MODERATE air quality overall.		
Glenwood					GOOD to MODERATE air quality, likely worsening overnight/early morning.		

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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.

