



Smoke Outlook

Mid Columbia Gorge Whisky, Williams, Sandstone

8/10 - 8/11

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Special Statement

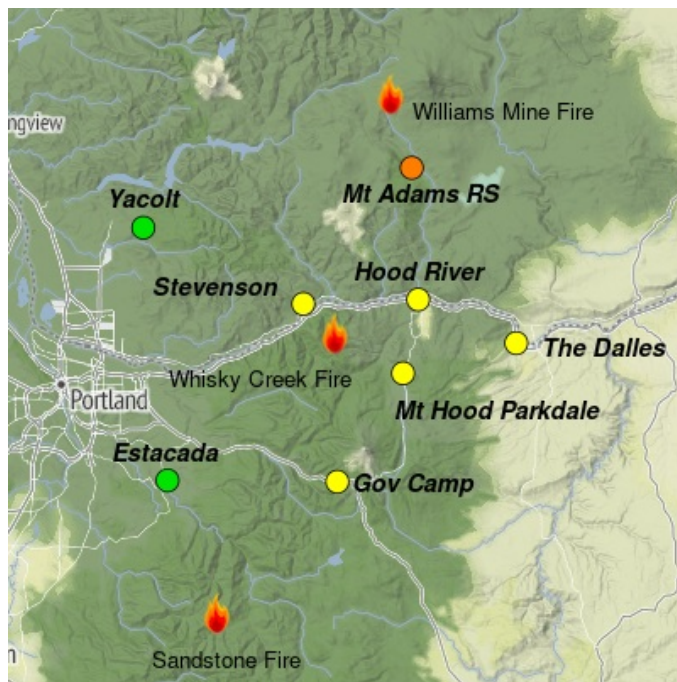
An Air Quality Advisory is in effect for southwestern Washington until 8 PM PDT Saturday, August 9. Pollutants can cause burning eyes, itchy throat, and other health problems. More information can be found at <https://aqi.oregon.gov/>.

Fire

On the Whisky Creek Fire, crews complete and monitor indirect handlines while helicopters with buckets drop water directly on any active fire. Today, winds will be westerly and temperatures in the upper 80s are expected. The Whisky Creek Fire is currently 1671 acres. The Sandstone fire is creeping and smoldering within the perimeter of a wildfire that burned in 2006. Some increased fire activity is expected this afternoon. An indirect suppression strategy is currently being explored. The fire is 513 acres in size. On the Williams Mine Fire, west winds will act to increase fire activity through Saturday. On Sunday, more humid conditions could limit fire activity, limiting smoke production. The fire is 5549 acres in size.

Smoke

On Saturday, winds will be more westerly and will clear smoke in much of the outlook area. Winds are expected to remain westerly through the weekend with some pooling expected during overnight hours, increasing smoke concentrations in localized areas. Air quality in general will be between Good to Moderate for much of the smoke outlook area with localized areas of USG for locations nearest to the Williams Mine, Whisky Creek, and Sandstone Fires.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Saturday

Station	Yesterday			Fri 8/09	Comment for Today -- Sat, Aug 10	Forecast*	
	hourly					Sat 8/10	Sun 8/11
Yacolt	6a	noon	6p	●	Northwest winds improve air quality to Good through the weekend.	●	●
Stevenson	[AQI bars]			●	Air quality mostly Moderate today with improvement this weekend.	●	●
The Dalles	[AQI bars]			●	In general, air quality will be Moderate.	●	●
Mt Hood Parkdale	[AQI bars]			●	Moderate air quality is expected for the period.	●	●
Estacada	[AQI bars]			●	West winds maintain Good air quality this weekend.	●	●
Gov Camp	[AQI bars]			●	Good to Moderate air quality is expected this weekend.	●	●
Mt Adams RS	[AQI bars]			●	Air quality is expected to be Moderate to USG on average for the period.	●	●
Hood River	No hourly data				A shift to west winds will improve air quality.	●	●

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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 DEQ](http://www.oregon.gov/DEQ) -- <http://www.oregon.gov/DEQ>

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