

Smoke Outlook Central Mountains Central Mountain Fires

9/01 - 9/02

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Special Statement

IDEQ has issued an Air Quality Advisory for Southwest Idaho and Central Idaho. IDEQ Current County AQAs

Fire

An active fire day is expected today for the West Mountain Fires. Fire activity is expected to include flanking, backing, single and group tree torching. Additional information can be found at West Mountain Fires Inciweb

Smoke

The area of high pressure that has been parked over the region is expected to move east today. This will help clear smoke in the southern Long Valley but is expected to push smoke up to the northern Long Valley as the day progresses. Air quality in Cascade is expected to improve from HAZARDOUS to potentially USG. Horsethief will see improvements as well, with conditions improving from VERY UNHEALTHY to USG. McCall is expected to begin with MODERATE air quality, spiking to USG, with the possibility of UNHEALTHY in late afternoon. GOOD air quality is expected in Grangeville, with the possibility of MODERATE in the afternoon and evening hours. Smoke from the Middle Fork Complex is expected to impact Challis, Salmon, and North Fork, with air quality ranging from USG with the potential to see HAZARDOUS as smoke builds. Check here for latest AQ monitoring: AirNow Fire and Smoke Map



Daily AQI Forecast* for Sunday

	Yesterday	Sat	Forecast*	Sun	Mon
Station	hourly	8/31	Comment for Today Sun, Sep 01	9/01	9/02
	6a noon 6p				
McCall		\bigcirc	USG with the potential to spike to Unhealthy for during afternoon		
Cascade			HAZARDOUS in the AM, gradually improving throughout the day as smoke clears.		
Challis	No hourly data		VERY UNHEALTY AQ spiking to HAZARDOUS as day progresses.		
Salmon			USG AQ spiking to UNHEALTHY in the evening hours.		
Grangeville		\bigcirc	Overall GOOD air quality. Periods of MODERATE to USG possible.	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
North Fork		\bigcirc	USG AQ in AM, spiking to UNHEALTHY as day progresses.		
Horsethief Reservoir			VERY UNHEALTHY AQ, expected to improve to USG during night hours		

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ir 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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