



Smoke Outlook

Central Idaho

9/03 - 9/04

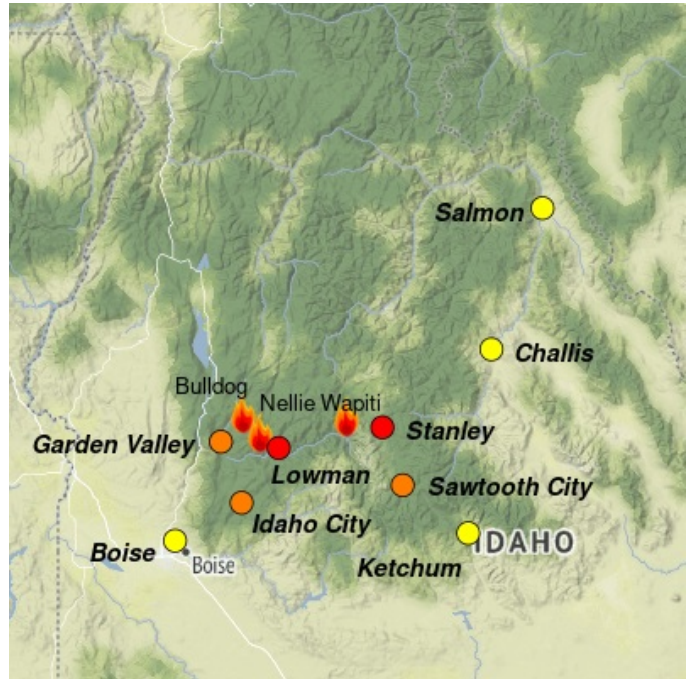
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Fire

The **Wapiti Fire** is at 107,986 acres and the **Middle Fork Complex** is at 56,806 acres. Rain experienced in the mountain communities yesterday was not felt equally across all fires. Plenty of dry fuels are still available to burn. Expect favorable fire conditions today, enhanced by the incoming winds from a passing cold front. Fires in Oregon and new fires in Camas county are also adding to the smoke load. See inciweb.wildfire.gov for updates on specific incidents.

Smoke

Cold front expected to pass over the forecast area today bringing smoke with it from eastern Oregon. As the week progresses, a more stagnant airmass will create conditions for smoke concentrations to build, particularly in the mountain communities.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Tuesday

Station	Yesterday	Mon 9/02	Comment for Today -- Tue, Sep 03	Forecast*	
	hourly			Tue 9/03	Wed 9/04
Salmon			GOOD and MODERATE conditions Tuesday		
Challis	No hourly data		General haze and smoke due to a number of fires upwind.		
Lowman			Some periods of GOOD air are possible but smoke will settle in again overnight.		
Boise			Fires in OR and NV may send smoke towards Boise.		
Garden Valley			A little better than the past week but still noticeable smoke today.		
Stanley			Both smoke and fog are likely. Drive with headlights on.		
Sawtooth City	No hourly data		Expect smoke to build back in as the week progresses.		
Idaho City			Fires in eastern Oregon expected to affect local air quality today.		
Ketchum			New fires south of town driving primary smoke impact today.		

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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

Middle Fork Complex (Bulldog, Nellie) -- <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-middle-fork-complex-fire-bulldog-nellie-anderson>
IDEQ Smoke Blog -- <https://idsmoke.blogspot.com>

Wapiti Fire -- <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-wapiti-fire>
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*Smoke and Health Info -- www.airnow.gov/air-quality-and-health