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## Special Statement

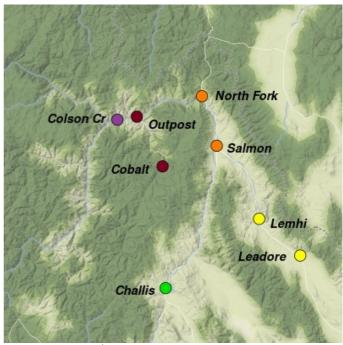
EXPECT PERIODS of REDUCED VISIBILTY along HWY 93 between North Fork and Salmon. Check closures along the North Fork River Rd, Panther Cr, Deep Creek, and Middle Fork. These locations have visibility less than 100 yds and are within the fire restricted evacuation zone.

## Fire

Crews are making great progress securing lines and firing out the unburnt fuels to protect the residents along River Rd, Panther Creek, and Cobalt. Limited air movement will continue to hold very visible smoke in the forecast areas, limiting large fire growth in most locations.

## **Smoke**

Limited air movement over the forecast area will hold smoke in the valleys and drainages. Expect area wide visibility issues, cold ash fallout, and the smell of smoke most of the day. Slight potential for conditions to improve in the late evening, but as temperatures drop smoke will settle back into the Lemhi Valley. Residents and visitors in the North Fork Salmon, Panther Cr, Deep Cr, and Cobalt areas can expect continued UNHEALTHY to HAZARDOUS into the weekend.



Daily AQI Forecast\* for Friday

	Yesterday	Thu	Forecast*	Fri	Sat
Station	hourly	10/10	Comment for Today Fri, Oct 11	10/11	10/12
	6a noon 6p			_	_
Leadore	No hourly data		Smokey skies will limit mountain views until late evening		
Lemhi	No hourly data		Smokey skies with limited views of the mountains today.		
Salmon			Heavy smoke in the area all day. Short periods of USG-UNHEALTHY		
Challis	No hourly data		Clear skies this morning with increasing upper-level haze this afternoon		
North Fork	No hourly data		Increasing smoke into the evening with limited clearing overnight		
Cobalt			Increasing smoke will struggle to lift out of the HWY-55 drainage today.		
Duncan's Outpost	No hourly data		Continued HAZARDOUS surface impacts for most of the day.		
Colson's Creek	No hourly data		Overnight smoke will struggle to disperse until late afternoon/early evening		

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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 <b>reduce</b> prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.
Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups* should <b>avoid all</b> 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

Inciweb- Red Rock/Black Diamond -- https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-red-rock-fire

Fire Info-Salmon Challis National Forest -- https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/scnf/fire



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