# Salmon Challis Redrock, Garden, Mowitch/Birch

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## Fire

Crews have shifted into widespread mop-up and repair mode thanks to the cool, wet, and snowy weather. Continued work today to stabilize, repair, and make good use of the moisture. Stumps and large debris pockets will continue to smolder, with crews working to put those out along roadways and containment lines.

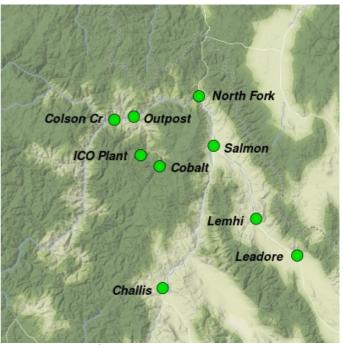
#### Smoke

The cold front passage provided much needed relief from smoke impacts of the fire. Those with extended smoke exposure can expect it to take 2-3 days of these ideal conditions to help restore their lung and cardiac functions that were impacted during this heavy smoke event. There will be occasional haze and visible smoldering stumps in the interior portions of the fire, but with the cold and wet air mass above smoke impacts will be limited to localized haze.

## **Extended Plans**

Forecasts indicate there is limited to no potential for the return of smoke impacts above MODERATE in this forecast area. Air quality sensors deployed for this incident will be removed over the next two days. Visit

https://www.epa.gov/air-research/smoke-ready-toolbox-wildfires to prepare for next year's smoke!



Daily AQI Forecast\* for Friday

	Yesterday	Thu	Forecast*	Fri	Sat
Station	hourly	10/17	Comment for Today Fri, Oct 18	10/18	10/19
	6a noon 6p			_	_
Leadore	No hourly data		Patchy clouds most of the day with increasing fog in the mountains this evening.		
Lemhi	No hourly data		Patchy clouds this morning with increasing mountain fog this evening.		
Salmon			Patchy clouds in the morning, increasing fog in the mountains by late afternoon.		
Challis	No hourly data		Patchy clouds with potential to see open skies and sun this afternoon		
North Fork	No hourly data		Mountain fog, patchy clouds, no smoke		
Cobalt			Smoldering impacts will hang in the locations closest to fire edges		
Duncan's Outpost	No hourly data		Foggy and wet with no smoke		
Colson's Creek	No hourly data		Patchy clouds and fog this AM, no smoke all day		
ICO Plant	No hourly data		Patchy clouds and fog this morning with potential clearing this 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

 $\label{local-problem} \begin{tabular}{ll} Inciweb-Red Rock/Black Diamond -- https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-red-rock-fire \end{tabular}$ 

 $\label{local-problem} \begin{tabular}{ll} Inciweb- Garden Fire -- https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-garden-fire -- https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-garden-fire-gar$ 

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

