



SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

SMOKE ADVISORY

Issued Wednesday, August 31, 2016

This advisory is in effect through Thursday morning. SCAQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A brush fire, named the Bogart Fire, is burning in Cherry Valley near Beaumont. The burn area was estimated on Tuesday evening to be 1250 acres, with 20% containment. Winds from the northwest are predicted to push any smoke towards the south and east into the Coachella Valley. Depending on evolving fire and weather conditions, smoke impacts will mainly occur in the Banning Pass area, near and downwind of the fire, and possibly into the Coachella Valley. Air quality may reach **Unhealthy** levels in areas directly impacted by smoke.

Areas of direct smoke impacts in the South Coast Air Basin and **Unhealthy** air quality will likely include:

- Portions of the Banning Pass Area (Forecast Area 29), and
- Portions of the Coachella Valley (Forecast Area 30).

In any area impacted by smoke: Everyone should avoid any vigorous outdoor or indoor exertion; people with respiratory or heart disease, older adults, and children should remain indoors. Keep windows and doors closed or seek alternate shelter. Run your air conditioner if you have one and keep the fresh air intake closed and the filter clean to prevent bringing additional smoke inside. Avoid using a swamp cooler or whole-house fan to prevent bringing additional smoke inside. To avoid worsening the health effects of smoke, don't use indoor or outdoor wood-burning appliances, including fireplaces.

SCAQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link: <ftp://ftp.aqmd.gov/pub/globalist/Advisory.pdf>