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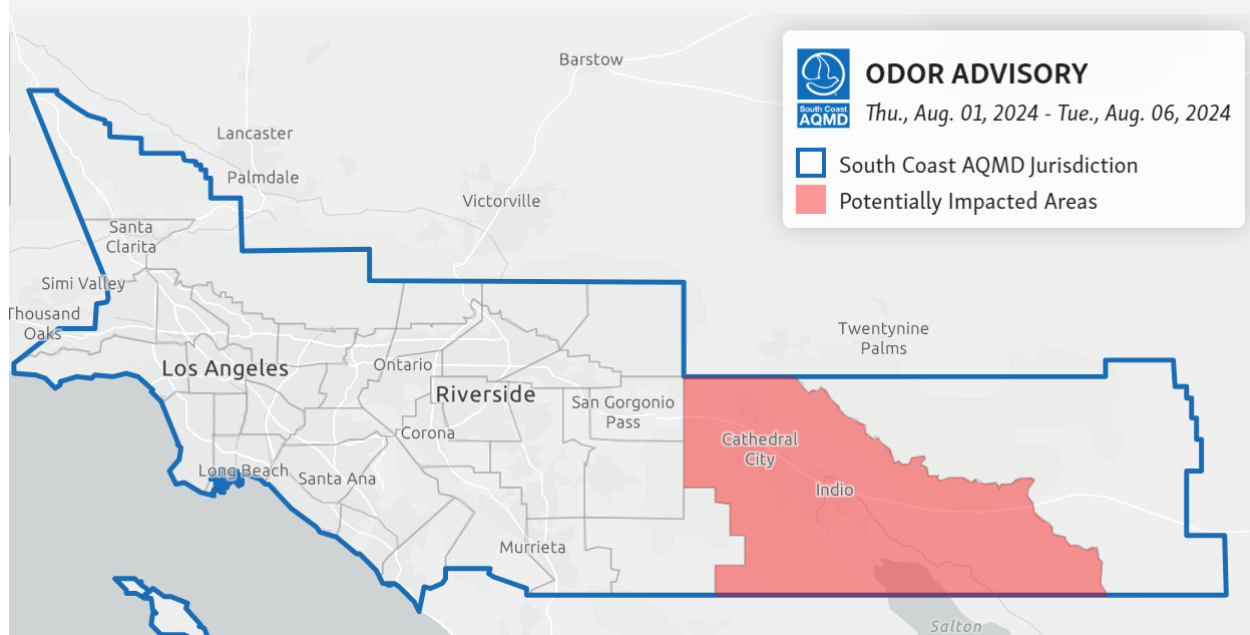
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South Coast AQMD Issues Odor Advisory for Eastern Coachella Valley

Valid Thursday 8:30 AM until Tuesday 7:00 PM

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Current Conditions

- Hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) is associated with natural processes occurring in the Salton Sea.
- H₂S is a gas that smells like rotten eggs.
- Between midnight on Wednesday and 8:00 AM Thursday, H₂S levels at the Near-Shore and Mecca air monitoring stations were between 14 and 70 ppb (parts per billion). H₂S levels at the Indio station were between 1 and 26 ppb during the same time period.

- The state standard for outdoor levels of H2S is 30 ppb averaged over one hour. At that level, most individuals can smell the odor and some may experience symptoms such as headaches and nausea. However, the symptoms associated with this level of exposure are temporary and do not cause any long-term health effects. Humans can detect H2S odors at extremely low concentrations, down to a few ppb.

Visit saltonseaodor.org for current hydrogen sulfide (H2S) levels in the Salton Sea area or to sign up for H2S alerts.

Forecasted Air Quality Impacts

- H2S levels are expected to be highest when winds are from the south or southeast.

Detailed Forecast

Thursday through Tuesday from morning through afternoon each day	Low-speed winds from the southeast are expected to bring H2S from the Salton Sea into the Eastern Coachella Valley. Winds from the southeast are expected between 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM each day. H2S levels will be highest near the north Salton Sea shore and in cities north of the Salton Sea, including Mecca and Indio.
Thursday through Tuesday during nighttime	H2S levels are expected to be low at night due to higher speed winds from the north.

South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

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