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South Coast AQMD Issues Windblown Dust Advisory for Portions of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties

Valid: Thursday, November 26, through Friday, November 27, 2020

This advisory is in effect through Friday evening. South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A PM10 Dust Advisory is in effect from Thursday, November 26 through the evening of Friday, November 27, 2020. Strong winds from the northeast with gusts up to 65 mph are predicted by the National Weather Service (NWS) for Thursday afternoon through Friday evening. The strongest winds are expected from late afternoon on Thursday to early Friday morning. Areas of blowing sand and blowing dust are predicted throughout this wind event, which may result in **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** or higher AQI levels at times for portions of Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties.

The NWS has posted Fire Weather Watches for portions of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties. NWS Fire Weather Watches expire at 10:00 p.m. on Friday. For information regarding the NWS watches, please visit the NWS San Diego (<https://www.weather.gov/sgx/>) and Los Angeles/Oxnard (<https://www.weather.gov/lox>) websites.

In areas directly impacted by windblown dust: Limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed and avoiding vigorous physical activity.

Overall, PM10 concentrations are expected to be elevated at times in portions of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties due to the Santa Ana wind event. Air quality may reach **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** or higher levels in areas directly impacted by dust.

Areas of direct impacts and poor air quality may include portions of:

- **Riverside County:** Metropolitan Riverside County (Area 23), Coachella Valley (Area 30)
- **San Bernardino County:** Central San Bernardino Valley (Area 34), East San Bernardino Valley (Area 35)



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- South Coast AQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link: www.aqmd.gov/advisory
- To subscribe to air quality alerts, advisories and forecasts by email, go to www.AirAlerts.org
- To view current air quality conditions by region in an interactive map, see <http://www.aqmd.gov/aqimap>
- For real-time air quality information, maps, notifications and health alerts in your area, download our award-winning South Coast AQMD app at: www.aqmd.gov/mobileapp
- Air quality forecasts are available at <http://www.aqmd.gov/forecast>
- For South Coast AQMD Daily Rule 403.1 High Wind Forecasts for the Coachella Valley call (909) 396-2399 or 1-800-CUT-SMOG
- For a map of South Coast AQMD Forecast Areas, see <http://www.aqmd.gov/ForecastAreas>.

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