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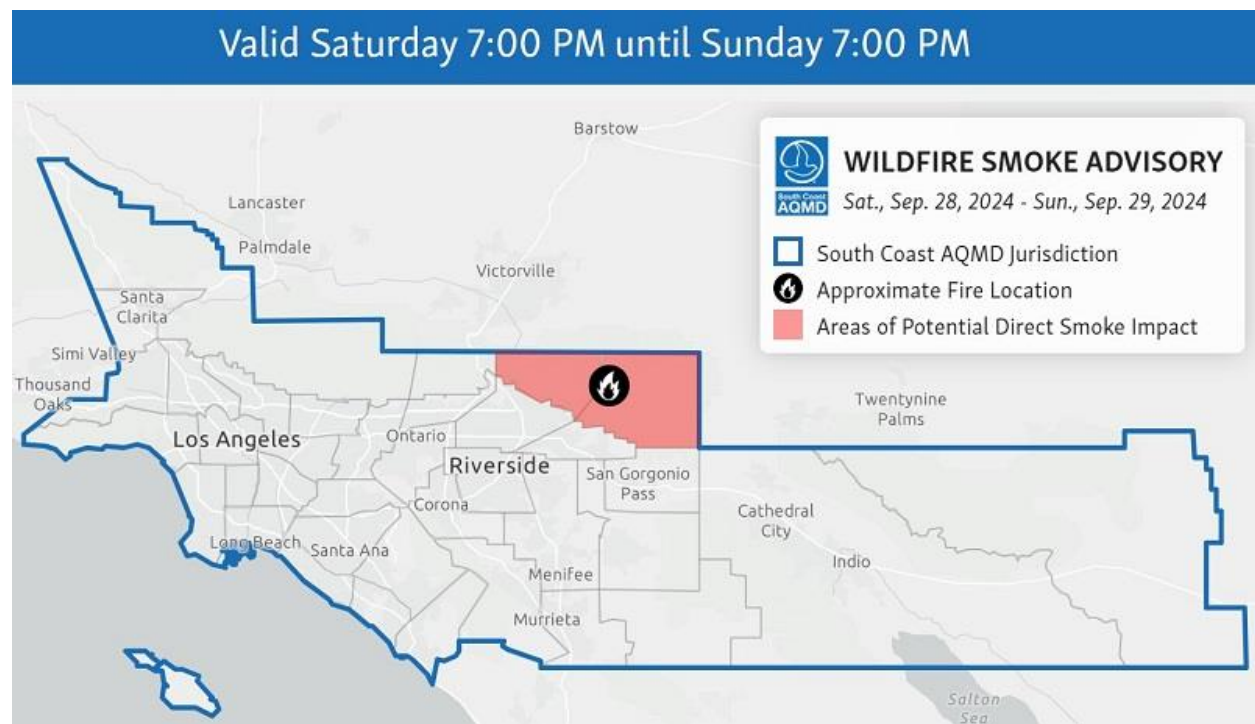
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South Coast AQMD Issues Smoke Advisory Due to Line Fire

Valid Saturday 7:00 p.m. until Sunday 7:00 p.m.



Current Conditions

- The Line Fire has pockets of unburned fuels that are burning within containment lines in the Bear Creek drainage, producing smoke on Saturday. The fire remains 83% contained. There is more fuel in Bear Creek that will burn creating smoke over the next few days. For more information about the Line Fire, visit the CalFire incident page at <https://www.fire.ca.gov/>

[incidents/2024/9/5/line-fire/](#) and the InciWeb webpage at <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/cabdf-line-fire>.

- PM2.5 in Big Bear Lake reached the **Unhealthy** Air Quality Index (AQI) category on Saturday evening due to smoke from the Line Fire.
- Information about Wildfire Smoke & Ash Health & Safety is available at <https://www.aqmd.gov/smokesafety>.

Conditions may change quickly due to fire activity and weather. Download the [South Coast AQMD app](#) or visit www.aqmd.gov/AQImap to view current air quality in your neighborhood.

Forecasted Smoke and Air Quality Impacts

- As pockets of unburned fuel burn within the Line Fire containment lines, smoke from the fire is expected to impact parts of the San Bernardino Mountains over the next few days, including Big Bear Lake, Lake Arrowhead, Crestline, and Running Springs. These areas may reach the **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** AQI category or higher. However, areas immediately adjacent to the fires may reach the **Unhealthy** AQI category or higher.

Detailed Forecast

Saturday night to Sunday morning	PM2.5 levels are expected to be highest immediately adjacent to the Bear Creek drainage where unburned pockets of fuel are burning. AQI is expected to be in the Moderate category in most areas, but AQI may reach Unhealthy or higher immediately adjacent to the fire
Sunday	AQI in parts of the San Bernardino mountains including Big Bear Lake and Running Springs may reach the Unhealthy category or higher on Sunday, with the highest AQI expected on Sunday afternoon.

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

If you are in an area impacted by smoke:

- Limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed or seeking alternate shelter.
- Avoid vigorous physical activity.
- Run your air conditioning and/or an air purifier. If possible, do **not** use swamp coolers or whole house fans that bring in outside air.
- Avoid burning wood in your fireplace or firepit and minimize sources of indoor air pollution such as candles, incense, pan-frying, and grilling.
- If you must be outside, a properly fit N95 or P100 respirator may provide some protection.

For more information, visit www.aqmd.gov/smokesafety.

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