



Smoke Outlook for 10/05 - 10/06
Northern Central Valley August Complex
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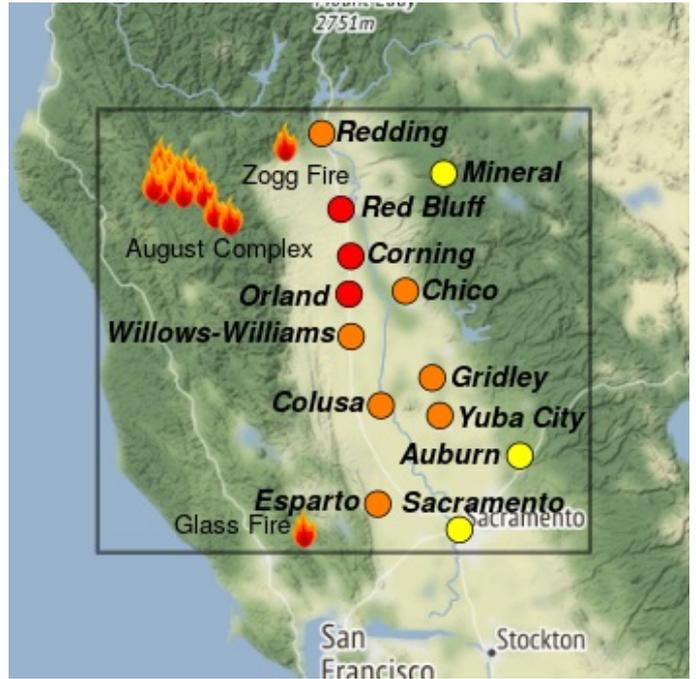
Fire

The August Complex continues to actively burn across the western half of the fire. Fire crews will conduct burnout operations as needed to meet incident objectives. Expect smoke to once again dictate fire activity.

Smoke

High pressure remains, although the weakening trend continues. Smoke that is trapped in valleys will remain with widespread Unhealthy air. Light easterly winds are forecast today. This will allow for improved air quality for communities east of Interstate 5. Communities on the west half of the Sacramento Valley near canyons could see periods of Very Unhealthy air each morning/night.

To scour out smoke trapped in the valley, it will take a large storm system. At this time, there is no system forecast through at least Wednesday. However, a storm system is possible late this week and into the weekend. This is expected to provide enough southwest winds to help scour the Sacramento Valley out with improved air quality. Stay Tuned!



Daily AQI Forecast* for Oct 05, 2020

Station	Yesterday hourly	Sun 10/04	Forecast* Comment for Today -- Mon, Oct 05	Mon 10/05	Tue 10/06
Redding	6a noon 6p	Orange	Unhealthy this morning; USG air this afternoon.	Orange	Red
Mineral		Red	Moderate this morning with periods of USG air this afternoon.	Yellow	Yellow
Red Bluff		Red	Very Unhealthy this morning; Unhealthy air this afternoon.	Red	Red
Corning		Red	Very Unhealthy this morning; Unhealthy air this afternoon.	Red	Red
Orland		Red	Very Unhealthy this morning; Unhealthy air this afternoon.	Red	Red
Chico		Red	Generally USG today; Moderate air likely this afternoon.	Orange	Orange
Willows-Williams		Red	Unhealthy this morning; USG air this afternoon.	Orange	Red
Gridley		Red	USG this morning; Moderate air likely this afternoon.	Orange	Red
Colusa		Red	USG this morning; Moderate air likely this afternoon.	Orange	Orange
Yuba City		Red	USG to Moderate air throughout the day.	Orange	Orange
Esparto		Orange	USG this morning; Moderate air likely this afternoon.	Orange	Orange
Sacramento		Orange	Moderate this morning with periods of Good air this afternoon.	Yellow	Yellow
Auburn		Yellow	Good to Moderate air throughout the day.	Yellow	Yellow

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Air Quality Index (AQI)	Actions to Protect Yourself
Green Good	None
Yellow Moderate	Unusually sensitive individuals should consider limiting prolonged or heavy exertion.
Orange USG	People within Sensitive Groups* should reduce prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.
Red Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups* should avoid all physical outdoor activity.
Purple Very Unhealthy	Everyone should avoid prolonged or heavy exertion.
Dark Purple 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
[CA Smoke Information, Blogspot](http://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/) -- <http://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/>
[Mendocino National Forest Fire Information](https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoNF) -- <https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoNF>
[August Complex Fire Information](https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6983/) -- <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6983/>
[San Francisco Bay Area Air Quality Forecast](https://tinyurl.com/y6gqm88z) -- <https://tinyurl.com/y6gqm88z>