



Smoke Outlook for 10/16 - 10/17
Northern Central Valley August Complex
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Special Statement

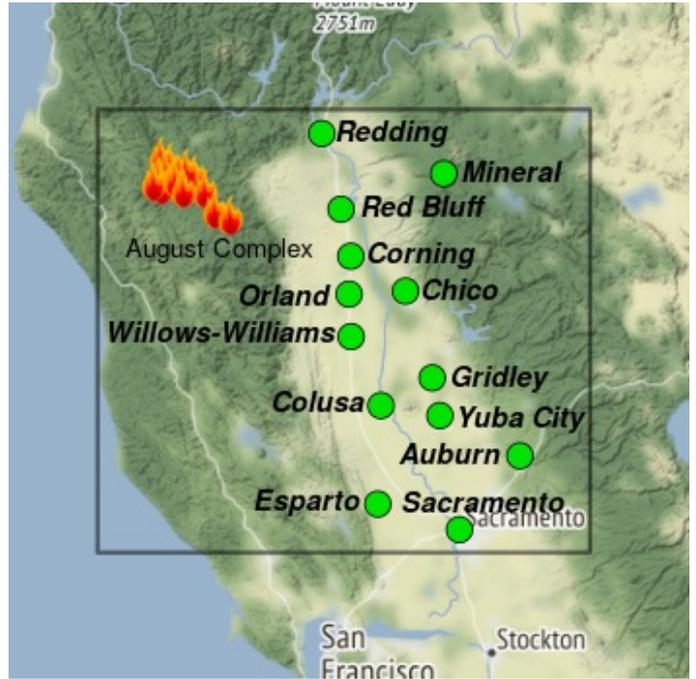
We are under a Red Flag Warning again today. Stay aware of changing conditions.

Fire

The August Complex continues to actively burn across the western half of the fire. Fuels are extremely dry and critical fire weather is still with us. Yesterday, we saw an uptick in activity and we have that potential again today.

Smoke

We expect good air quality throughout the Valley again today. We saw some smoke columns on the fire yesterday, but the east-northeast winds moved the smoke to the west and away from the Valley. We expect that trend again today. As the winds shift back to a northwesterly direction this weekend, we could see some smoke make its way into the Valley. However, we don't anticipate there will be a large volume of smoke coming our way. So, a slight degradation in air quality is possible over the weekend. Stay aware of changing conditions and remember, if you see smoke and smell smoke, you are breathing smoke.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Oct 16, 2020

Station	Yesterday hourly			Thu 10/15	Forecast* Comment for Today -- Fri, Oct 16	Fri 10/16	Sat 10/17
	6a	noon	6p				
Redding				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Mineral	No hourly data			●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Red Bluff				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Corning				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Orland				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Chico				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Willows-Williams				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Gridley				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Colusa				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Yuba City				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Esparto				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Sacramento				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Auburn				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●

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



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 *Smoke and Health Info -- www.airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=smoke.index