



Smoke Outlook for 8/25 - 8/26

Eastern Sierra #NorthComplex

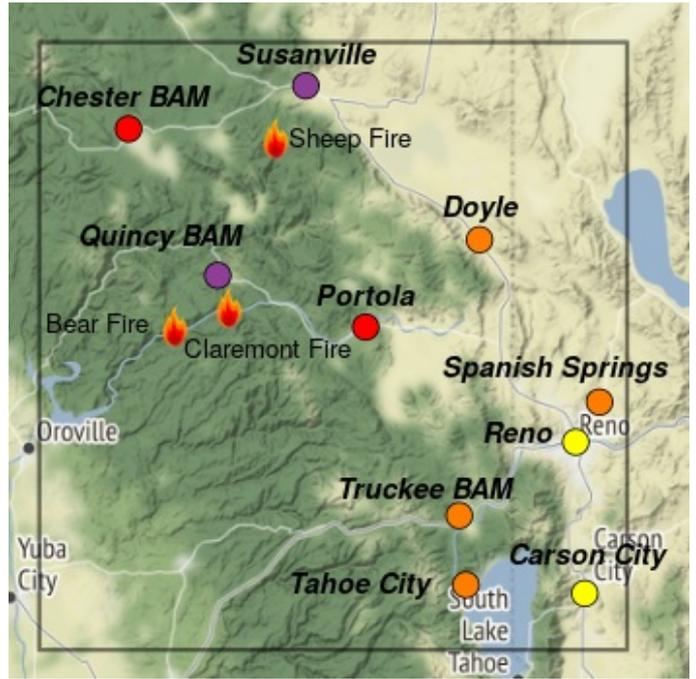
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Fire

More activity yesterday brought the North Complex to 48,235 acres. Although less aggressive than previous days, the Sheep Fire remains active at 27,411 acres. The Claremont Fire, currently at 17,906 acres has been burning on the south side of the Feather Drainage and continues to move in a N/NE direction. The Bear Fire, at 2,778 acres also remains active burning in all directions. More activity is expected as the fires continue a pattern of heating up in the afternoon and becoming more active later in the day.

Smoke

Heaviest impacts will again be to the areas closest to the fires, namely Quincy, who saw Hazardous and Very Unhealthy levels yesterday and Susanville whose air quality improved morning into noon before degrading again as we moved into the evening. Similar fire/smoke patterns are expected today. Lingering smoke may be dense at times in the valleys but thinning is expected especially south of fires. Reno to Carson City, Truckee, and Tahoe City can also expect conditions similar to yesterday where air quality levels are mainly Moderate to Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups. As fires become more active later in the day, areas will see heavier impacts in the evening into overnight as smoke settles into valleys and local drainages.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Aug 25, 2020

Station	Yesterday hourly	Mon 8/24	Forecast* Comment for Today -- Tue, Aug 25	Tue 8/25	Wed 8/26
Quincy BAM			Smoke may pick up later in the day as fires heat and continue to burn		
Chester BAM			Periods of Unhealthy air but USG levels overall can be expected		
Tahoe City			Smoke will persist in the area, but conditions should improve to USG/Moderate levels		
Portola			Smoke will persist in the area, periods of Unhealthy levels possible		
Carson City			Moderate levels expected, possible spikes of USG		
Spanish Springs			Improvements to Moderate/USG, may see spikes of Unhealthy levels		
Reno			Improvements to Moderate, may see spikes of USG/Unhealthy levels		
Truckee BAM			Improvements to Moderate/USG, may see spikes of Unhealthy levels		
Susanville			Smoke may pick up later in the day as fires heat and continue to burn		
Doyle			Smoke will persist in the area, periods of Unhealthy levels possible		

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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

California Smoke Blog -- <http://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/>
 Washoe County Health Department -- <http://www.ourcleanair.com>

North Complex Inciweb -- <https://inciweb.nwccg.gov/incident/6997/>



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