

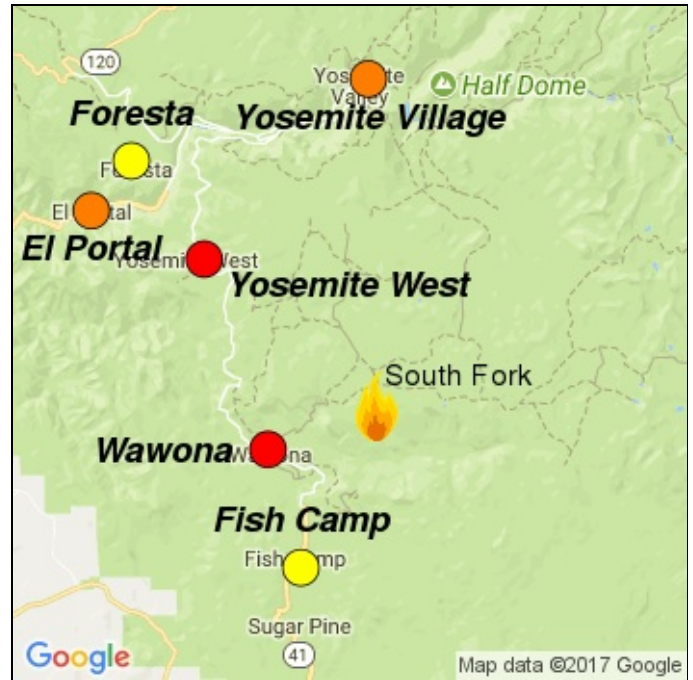
Outlook for Yosemite NP

Smoke: Smoke in the lower valleys of Yosemite, especially near Wawona, will again be dense through noon today, improving through the afternoon. Likely short-term moderate smoke impacts to nearby foothill locations (Mariposa, Oakhurst), primarily in the morning. Tuolumne Meadows could also experience afternoon smoke impacts.

Fire: South Fork: 4012 acres, 22% contained. Decrease in areal cloud presence and thunderstorms this afternoon. <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/state/5/0/> Butte: Full containment. Empire: Monitor status, only light activity expected.

Other: Dense smoke for short periods can aggravate symptoms for sensitive persons without changing 24-hr AQI levels. Afternoon thunderstorms again today. Outflow winds from these can push smoke into new areas for a couple hours at times as well as increase fire behavior and smoke production. Note: AQ forecasts below reflect only particulate matter - not ozone.

Daily AQI Forecast for Aug 23, 2017



Station	Yesterday hourly	Tue 8/22	Forecast Comment for Today -- Wed, Aug 23	Wed 8/23	Thu 8/24
Tuolumne Meadows			Afternoon smoke possible, otherwise good conditions expected.		
Yosemite Village			Morning smoke, clearing in the afternoon		
El Portal			Morning smoke, clearing in the afternoon		
Yosemite West			Morning smoke, clearing in the afternoon		
Wawona			Dense morning smoke, clearing in the afternoon.		
Foresta			Morning smoke, clearing in the afternoon		
Fish Camp			Morning smoke, clearing in the afternoon		

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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: 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
[\(http://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/\)](http://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/)

Yosemite Air Quality and Webcams
<https://www.nps.gov/yose/learn/nature/aqmonitoring.htm>

<http://wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlooks/2017/CentralSierraFires#Area2>