



Smoke Outlook for 8/22 - 8/23
SW Montana Trail Creek, Christensen, Alder Creek, Black Mountain, American Fork, Woods Creek, and Divide Complex (Balsinger) Fires

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Fire

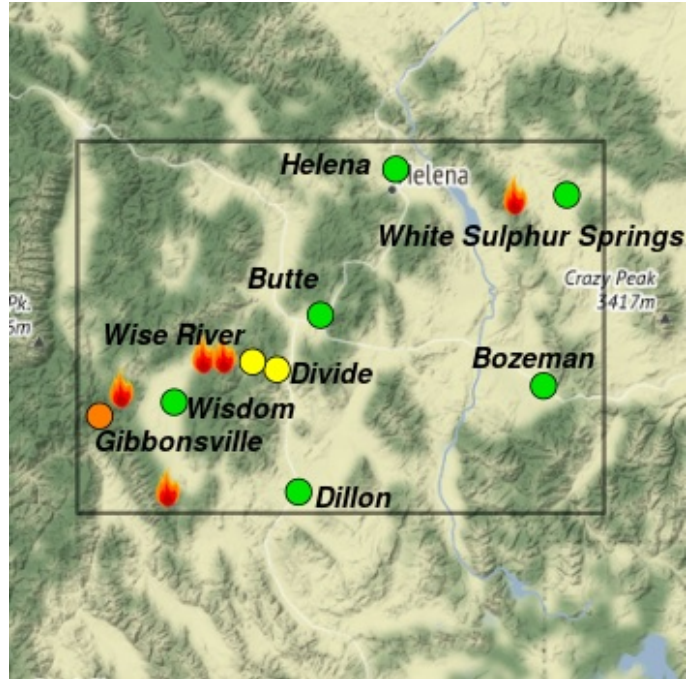
The Trail Creek, Christensen, Alder Creek, Black Mountain, American Fork, Woods Creek, and Divide Complex (Balsinger) Fires remain active as suppression efforts continue. Line construction and strategic firing are being completed to protect values at risk and strengthen containment lines. More information can be found on [Inciweb](#).

Smoke

Temporary smoke monitoring equipment has been discontinued in Divide, Wise River, and Wisdom. Forecasting for those communities will continue until Monday. Enjoy a mostly smoke free day today. Out of region smoke is expected to be widespread Monday. Local fires will produce limited smoke. Some out of region smoke will be present but concentrations will increase on Monday.

Health and Safety

If conditions warrant, the Montana or Idaho Department of Environmental Quality may issue Air Quality Alerts for your area (see links at the bottom of page). Stay aware of changing conditions and take recommended precautions, especially if you are sensitive to smoke.



Daily AQI Forecast* for Aug 22, 2021

Station	Yesterday	Sat	Forecast*	Sun Mon
	hourly	8/21		
Helena			Good all day.	
Butte			Moderate mid-morning, clear evening.	
Divide	No hourly data		Moderate morning, Good Day	
Wise River			Moderate morning, Good Day	
Wisdom			Moderate morning, Good Day	
Gibbonsville			USG all day.	
Dillon			Moderate morning, Good Day	
Bozeman			Moderate mid-afternoon, otherwise Good.	
White Sulphur Springs			Good all day.	

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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**
- Fire and Smoke Map - PM 2.5 Monitoring Site Data -- <https://fire.airnow.gov/>
 - MT Dept. of Env. Quality Air Quality and Smoke Site -- <https://deq.mt.gov/air/Programs/airquality>
 - ID Dept. of Env. Quality Air Quality and Smoke Site -- <https://www2.deq.idaho.gov/air/AQIPublic/Map/OutdoorBurn>
 - IWFAQRP Information Site - Be Smoke Ready! -- <https://www.wildlandfiresmoke.us/smoke-ready>
 - InciWeb Incident Information - Fire Activity Information -- <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/>

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 SW Montana Current Outlook -- tools.airfire.org/outlooks/SWMontana
 *Smoke and Health Info -- www.airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=smoke.index

