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## Smoke Outlook-

From the Silver Fire, significant smoke impacts are expected in communities down drainage of these fires, specifically in Hillsboro and San Lorenzo during the early morning hours on Monday. Higher humidities have resulted in little to no smoke impacts from the Jaroso Fire and Thompson Ridge Fire in northern New Mexico. We expect this trend to continue over the next 24 hours.

**Potentially unhealthy conditions (visibility of 1.5 to 2.75 miles or less) can always occur where there are wildfires. If they do, sensitive groups such as people with heart and/or lung disease, adults over age 65, young children, and pregnant women should avoid all outdoor activities until air quality improves. Everyone else should minimize outdoor activities.**

For the Silver Fire, smoke impacts will occur to the northeast and east today through Monday morning. Smoke forecasts are dependent on predicted fire growth and weather. If conditions change unexpectedly, greater smoke impacts could occur.

Your eyes are your best tools to determine if it's safe to be outside. Even if you smell smoke, the air quality may still be good. Remember: if visibility is 11 miles and up, the air quality is Good; six to ten miles, air quality is Moderate; three to five miles, air quality is Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups; one and a half to two and three quarter miles, air quality is Unhealthy; one to one and a quarter miles, air quality is Very Unhealthy; and one mile or less, air quality is Hazardous. When the visibility is less than 5 miles, sensitive groups should minimize outdoor activities. Everyone else should minimize prolonged or physical activity outdoors.

For information about health effects of smoke, including actions individuals can take to protect themselves, and guidance on distances and visibility, based on the location of current fires, please visit, [nmtracking.org/fire](http://nmtracking.org/fire).

Updated information on fire activity in the Southwest can be found in the [SWCC Morning Intelligence Briefing](#).

Additional smoke information can be found at the [SWCC Smoke Impact Awareness page](#).