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South Coast AQMD Issues Windblown Dust Advisory

Valid: Thurs., October 24, through Fri., October 25, 2019

This advisory is in effect through Friday afternoon. South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

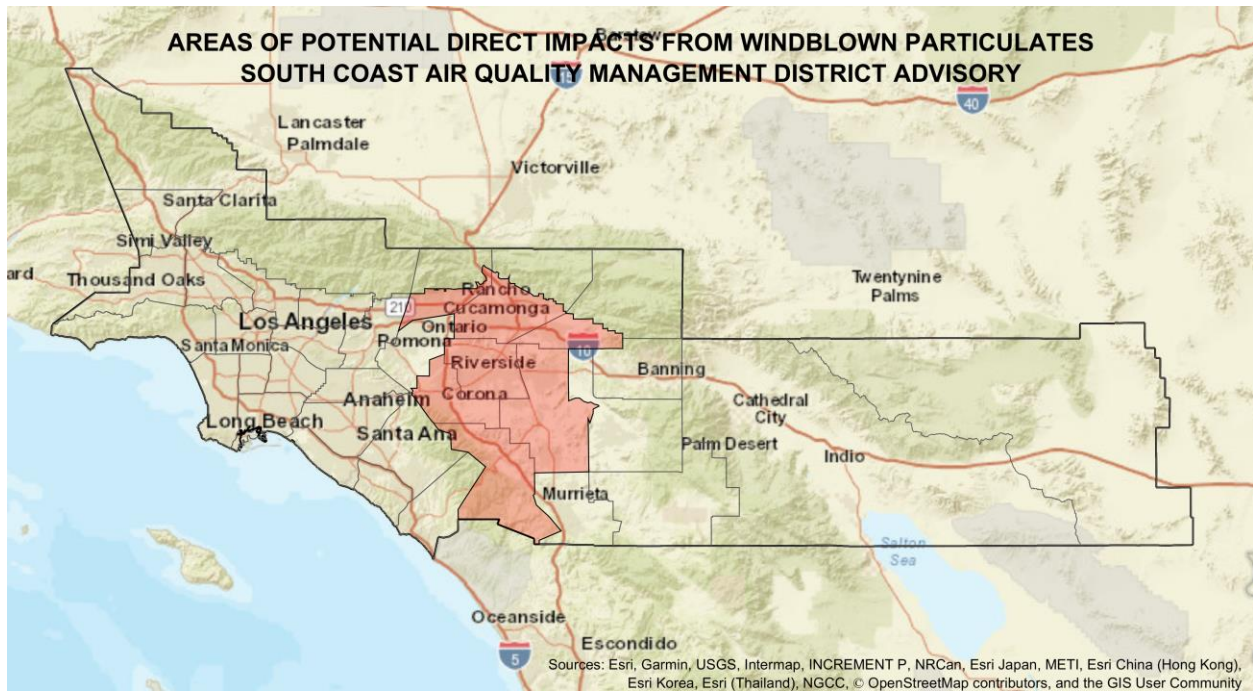
A PM10 Dust Advisory is in effect for Thursday, October 24, 2019 through the afternoon of Friday, October 25. Strong Santa Ana winds are impacting the region with wind gusts between 30 – 50 mph being recorded in portions of the basin. As a result, PM10 concentrations have increased, resulting in Very Unhealthy air quality.

Santa Ana winds with gusts to 55 mph are expected to continue throughout Thursday and into Friday afternoon. Wind speeds will gradually weaken Thursday evening into Friday morning. Due to high winds and low humidity, the National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a red flag warning for most areas within Los Angeles County. The NWS red flag warnings expire on Friday evening. A wind advisory is in effect for portions of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties. For information regarding the NWS advisories and warnings, please visit the NWS Los Angeles/Oxnard (<https://www.weather.gov/lox/>) and San Diego (<https://www.weather.gov/sgx/>) websites.

In areas directly impacted by windblown dust: Limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed and avoiding vigorous physical activity. Overall, PM10 concentrations are expected to be elevated in portions of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties due to the Santa Ana wind event. Air quality may reach Unhealthy or higher levels in areas directly impacted by dust.

Areas of direct impacts and poor air quality may include portions of:

- **Riverside County:** Corona-Norco (Area 22), Metropolitan Riverside County (Area 23), Perris Valley (Area 24), Lake Elsinore (Area 25)
- **San Bernardino County:** Northwest San Bernardino Valley (Area 32), Central San Bernardino Valley (Area 34), East San Bernardino Valley (Area 35)



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- To subscribe to air quality alerts, advisories and forecasts by email, go to www.AirAlerts.org
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- For South Coast AQMD Daily Rule 403.1 High Wind Forecasts for the Coachella Valley call (909) 396-2399 or 1-800-CUT-SMOG
- For a map of South Coast AQMD Forecast Areas, see <http://www.aqmd.gov/ForecastAreas>

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