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South Coast AQMD Issues Windblown Dust Advisory for Portions of the Eastern South Coast Air Basin and the Coachella Valley

Valid: Saturday, April 24, through Sunday, April 25, 2021

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

A PM10 Dust Advisory is in effect on Saturday and Sunday due to predicted high winds. The National Weather Service (NWS) has posted a Wind Advisory for portions of the eastern South Coast Air Basin and the Coachella Valley that is in effect from Saturday at 8:00 p.m. through Sunday at 11:00 p.m. For information regarding the NWS advisory, visit the NWS San Diego (<https://www.weather.gov/sgx/>) website.

Winds from the west to southwest with gusts up to 65 mph are expected in the mountains and deserts. Areas of blowing dust and sand are predicted throughout this wind event, which may result in **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** or higher Air Quality Index (AQI) levels throughout the San Geronio Pass area and the Coachella Valley. Elevated particulate levels are more likely on Saturday afternoon in the Eastern Coachella Valley and Sunday afternoon throughout all areas covered by this advisory. Localized areas of blowing ash are possible in areas near the 2020 wildfire burn scars.

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

- **Riverside County:** San Geronio Pass (Area 29), Coachella Valley (Area 30).



In areas directly impacted by windblown dust: Limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed and avoiding vigorous physical activity.

- South Coast AQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link: www.aqmd.gov/advisory
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- For a map of South Coast AQMD Forecast Areas, see <http://www.aqmd.gov/ForecastAreas>.

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