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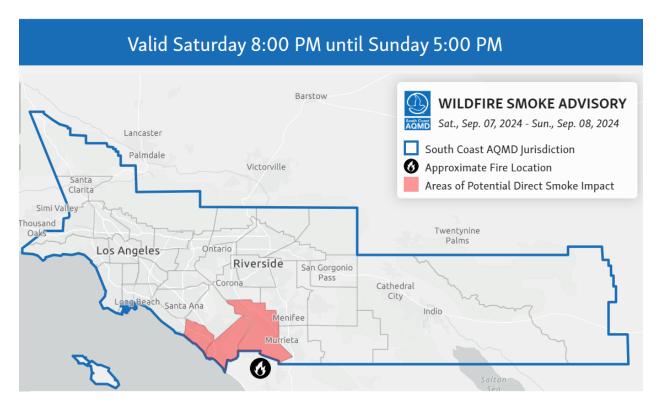
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## South Coast AQMD issues Smoke Advisory due to Roblar Fire in Camp Pendleton

Valid Saturday 8:00 PM until Sunday 5:00 PM



## **Current Conditions**

- The Roblar Fire is burning in Camp Pendleton. As of 6 PM on Saturday, the fire has burned 500 acres and is 0% contained.
- Sensors in the southern Santa Ana Mountains and Murrieta measured PM2.5 levels between **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** and **Very Unhealthy**.
- Based on satellite imagery, plumes of smoke are over southern Orange and Riverside Counties.
- For more information about the Roblar Fire visit the CalFire incident page at <a href="https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2024/9/7/roblar-fire/">https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2024/9/7/roblar-fire/</a> or Watch Duty at <a href="https://share.watchduty.org/i/33570">https://share.watchduty.org/i/33570</a>.

Note that the South Coast Air Basin is also being impacted by the Line Fire in San Bernardino
County and the region is being impacted by high daytime ozone concentrations related to the
ongoing heatwave. Visit <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/air-quality-advisories">https://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/air-quality-advisories</a> to see
all advisories currently in effect.

Conditions may change quickly due to fire activity and weather. Download the <u>South Coast AQMD</u> <u>app</u> or visit <u>www.aqmd.gov/AQImap</u> to view current air quality in your neighborhood.

## **Forecasted Smoke and Air Quality Impacts**

- Smoke from the Roblar fire may cause PM2.5 levels to reach the **Very Unhealthy** or higher AQI category at times on Saturday night and Sunday in southern Orange and Riverside Counties including San Clemente and Murrieta. Impacts will be greatest closer to the fire.
- AQI levels may reach the **Unhealthy** or higher AQI category on Sunday in large parts of the South Coast Air Basin from high levels of ozone (smog) due to the ongoing heat wave and from the smoke from the Line fire.

## If you are in an area impacted by smoke:

- Limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed or seeking alternate shelter.
- Avoid vigorous physical activity.
- Run your air conditioning and/or an air purifier. If possible, do **not** use swamp coolers or whole house fans that bring in outside air.
- Avoid burning wood in your fireplace or firepit and minimize sources of indoor air pollution such as candles, incense, pan-frying, and grilling.
- If you must be outside, a properly fit N95 or P100 respirator may provide some protection.

For more information, visit <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/smokesafety">www.aqmd.gov/smokesafety</a>.

South Coast AQMD is the regulatory agency responsible for improving air quality for large areas of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties, including the Coachella Valley. For news, air quality alerts, event updates and more, please visit us at <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov">www.aqmd.gov</a>, download our award-winning app, or follow us on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="mailto:X">X</a> (formerly known as Twitter) and <a href="mailto:Instagram">Instagram</a>.