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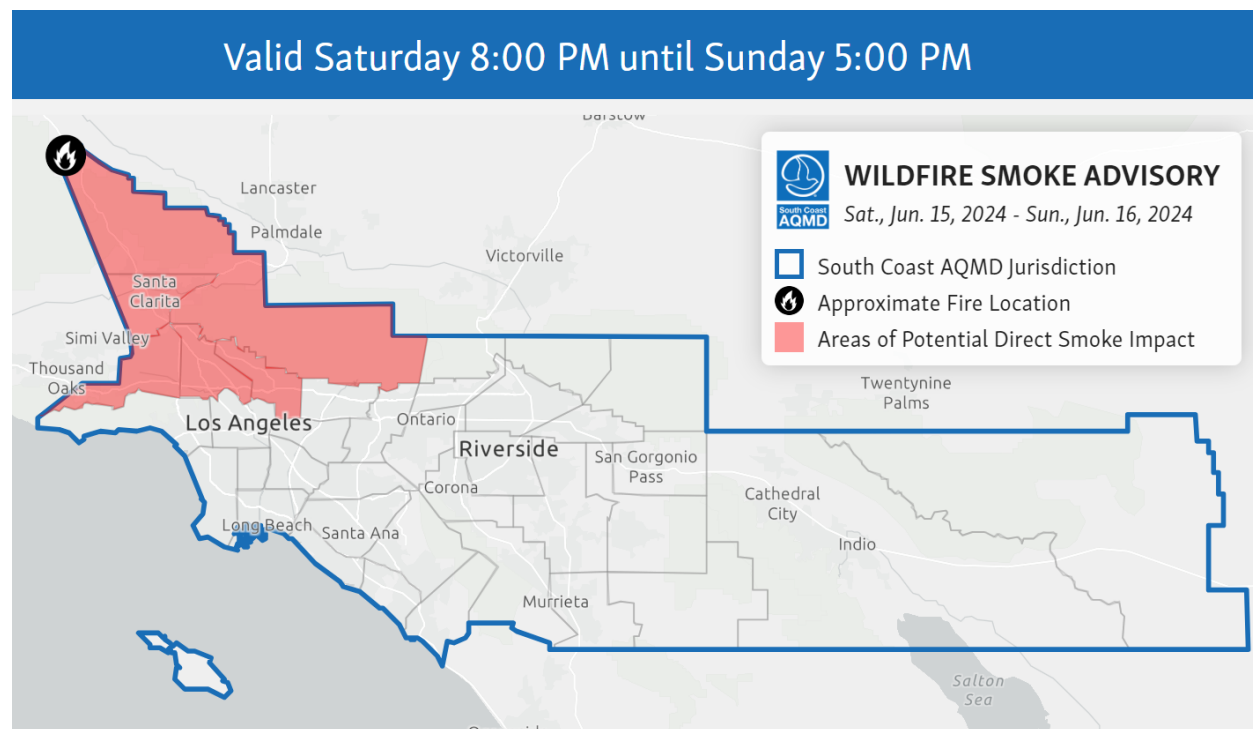
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South Coast AQMD Issues a Wildfire Smoke Advisory for the Santa Clarita and Castaic Area

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



Current Conditions

- Smoke from the Post Fire is impacting the Santa Clarita and Castaic area
- The Post Fire is currently 3,610 acres
- Visit the [CalFire Incident Page](#) for more information about the fire
- On Saturday at 8:00 PM low cost sensors near Castaic and Santa Clarita measured PM2.5 levels in the **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** Air Quality Index (AQI) category
- A South Coast AQMD monitor measured **Moderate** AQI levels in Santa Clarita on Saturday evening

Conditions may change quickly due to fire activity and weather. Download the [South Coast AQMD app](#) or visit www.aqmd.gov/AQImap to view current air quality in your neighborhood.

Forecasted Air Quality Impacts

- Northwestern winds are expected to push smoke from the Post Fire southeast towards Santa Clarita, the San Fernando Valley, and parts of the Angeles National Forest on Saturday night and Sunday morning
- Smoke impacts are predicted to be highest at high elevations
- AQI levels may reach **Unhealthy** or higher in areas impacted by smoke
- Air quality may be worse in areas immediately adjacent to the fire
- South Coast AQMD will issue an update if smoke persists

Detailed Forecast

Saturday night	The PM2.5 level will be highest overnight near the fire. AQI may reach Unhealthy or higher.
Sunday morning	Northwesterly winds will again push smoke from the Post Fire southeast towards the San Fernando Valley, Santa Clarita, and the Angeles National Forest. AQI may reach Unhealthy or higher.

South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

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 www.aqmd.gov/smokesafety.

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