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### AIR QUALITY ADVISORY

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**This air quality advisory issued by the  
Colusa County Air Pollution Control District.  
August 29 – August 31, 2023**

The Happy Camp Complex and the Smith River Complex are currently burning in Northern California. Forecasts show that these events will be producing significant smoke impacts to our local areas for the next 72 hours. Residents in these affected areas should be aware of their local air quality and take necessary precautions to protect themselves.

These fires are being managed by state and local fire officials, but smoke impacts may continue throughout this week.

The Colusa County Air Pollution Control District forecasts that Air Quality conditions may decline in the next 72 hours into the “**Unhealthy For Sensitive Groups**” range. Conditions may fluctuate from moderate to unhealthy throughout this time period.

Smoke from fires produce fine-particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>), which can cause serious health problems including lung disease, asthma attacks, and increased risk of heart attack or stroke. Where conditions warrant, people should limit their outdoor activity.

People with existing respiratory conditions, young children and elderly people are susceptible to health effects from these pollutants. Air District officials urge residents to follow their doctors’ orders when exposed to wildfire smoke emissions.

For further Air Quality Information and details of this advisory, please refer to our Colusa County Air Pollution Control District website:

[www.countyofcolusa.org/461/Air-Pollution-Control-District](http://www.countyofcolusa.org/461/Air-Pollution-Control-District)