



## Smoke Outlook for 10/18 - 10/19 Northern Central Valley August Complex

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### Fire

The August Complex continues to actively burn across the northern half of the fire. Fuels are still extremely dry and conditions are ripe for burning. Interior pockets will likely stay active and heavy fuels will continue to smolder.

### Smoke

We expect good to moderate air quality again today. Interior pockets of dry fuels continue to burn, and some of the smoke generated from that burning could make its way into the Valley, particularly in the evening. Air quality will likely degrade a bit as some smoke creeps back into the Valley and more stagnate weather conditions set in. However, we don't anticipate air quality to return to the unhealthy levels we had earlier in the month. Stay aware of changing conditions and remember, if you see smoke and smell smoke, you are breathing smoke.



Daily AQI Forecast\* for Oct 18, 2020

Station	Yesterday hourly			Sat 10/17	Forecast* Comment for Today -- Sun, Oct 18	Sun 10/18	Mon 10/19
	6a	noon	6p				
Redding				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Mineral				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Red Bluff				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Corning				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Orland				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Chico				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Willows-Williams				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Gridley				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Colusa				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Yuba City				●	Moderate conditions expected.	●	●
Esparto				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●
Sacramento				●	Moderate conditions expected.	●	●
Auburn				●	Good conditions expected.	●	●

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Air Quality Index (AQI)	Actions to Protect Yourself
● Good	None
● Moderate	Unusually sensitive individuals should consider limiting prolonged or heavy exertion.
● USG	People within Sensitive Groups* should <b>reduce</b> prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.
● Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups* should <b>avoid all</b> physical outdoor activity.
● Very Unhealthy	Everyone should avoid prolonged or heavy exertion.
● Hazardous	Everyone should avoid any outdoor activity.

**\*Disclaimer:** This forecast is based on fine particulates only; ozone is not included. Forecasts may be wrong; use at own risk. Use caution as conditions can change quickly. See your health professional as needed. Smoke sensitive groups should take appropriate precautions.

### Additional Links

CA Smoke Information, Blogspot -- <http://californiasmokeinfo.blogspot.com/>

Mendocino National Forest Fire Information -- <https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoNF>

August Complex Fire Information -- <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6983/>

San Francisco Bay Area Air Quality Forecast -- <https://tinyurl.com/y6gqm88z>



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Northern Central Valley Current Outlook -- [tools.airfire.org/outlooks/NorthernCentralValley](http://tools.airfire.org/outlooks/NorthernCentralValley)

\*Smoke and Health Info -- [www.airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=smoke.index](http://www.airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=smoke.index)