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Air Quality Advisory for Fine Particles Extended Through Thursday, January 4

Clark County's Department of Air Quality (DAQ) has extended through Thursday, January 4, an air quality advisory for high levels of fine particles (PM2.5) persisting due to stagnant air conditions. Air Quality officials say that small particles can aggravate respiratory diseases. PM2.5 is created by vehicle exhaust and wood smoke.

People who may be most sensitive to elevated levels fine particles include individuals with respiratory problems, cardiac disease, young children or senior citizens. Consult your physician if you have a medical condition that makes you sensitive to air quality conditions.

A link to the DAQ air quality website with current air quality conditions, updated forecasts and other information is located at http://airquality.clarkcountynv.gov/cgi-bin/aqi_map.pl . Forecast updates will be posted when needed. You can receive free air quality forecasts and advisories via e-mail through Enviroflash service. Subscription information is available at www.enviroflash.org -- You can follow Clark County air quality conditions and updates on Twitter: @CCAirQuality. --

Tips to limit personal exposure to fine particles include:

- Limit outdoor exertion on days with high levels of fine particles in the air. Exercise makes you breathe heavier and increases the amount of particulates you are likely to inhale.
- Keep windows and doors closed.
- Consider changing your indoor air filters if they are dirty.

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