



# News Release

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## Air Quality Advisory Issued for Smoke

The Clark County Department of Air Quality (DAQ) has issued a smoke advisory from **Thursday, Aug. 9 – Monday, Aug. 13**. Smoke from California wildfires continues to move into the region contributing to visible haze and higher amounts of particulate matter.



Smoke is made of small particles and other pollutants that can aggravate respiratory diseases such as bronchitis and asthma or heart disease. Consult your physician if you have a medical condition that makes you sensitive to air quality conditions. Under today's conditions, it may be best for children, the elderly and people with respiratory and heart disease to stay indoors.

### HELPFUL TIPS TO LIMIT PERSONAL EXPOSURE TO SMOKE

- 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.

### STAY UP TO DATE WITH AIR QUALITY INFORMATION

The Department of Air Quality monitors air pollution through a network of monitoring sites throughout the Las Vegas Valley. Data is collected from these sites and reported at our monitoring website:

[AirQuality.ClarkCountyNV.gov](http://AirQuality.ClarkCountyNV.gov). People can stay informed through a couple channels:

- Twitter and Facebook: Read air quality updates in your Facebook news feed or tweets. On Facebook: [www.facebook.com/ClarkCountyAirQuality](http://www.facebook.com/ClarkCountyAirQuality) and Twitter: [@CCAirQuality](https://twitter.com/CCAirQuality).
- EnviroFlash: Receive daily text or email messages with the latest air quality information. Learn more at [www.enviroflash.org](http://www.enviroflash.org). Air Quality also issues advisories and alerts for ozone and other pollutants such as dust, smoke and other particulate matters.
- [AIRNow](http://AIRNow): Air quality forecasts, current conditions and the Air Quality Index (AQI) for Clark County.

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Clark County is a dynamic and innovative organization dedicated to providing top-quality service with integrity, respect and accountability. With jurisdiction over the world-famous Las Vegas Strip and covering an area the size of New Jersey, Clark is the nation's 14<sup>th</sup>-largest county and provides extensive regional services to more than 2.25 million citizens and 45.5 million visitors a year (including Mesquite, Laughlin and Primm). Included are the nation's 8<sup>th</sup>-busiest airport, air quality compliance, social services and the state's largest public hospital, University Medical Center. The County also provides municipal services that are traditionally provided by cities to about 1 million residents in the unincorporated area. Those include fire protection, roads and other public works, parks and recreation, and planning and development.

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