



Smoke Outlook

Southern New Mexico Black Fire

6/12 - 6/13

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Fire

The Black Fire is at approximately 305,462 acres with 42% containment. The southern edge of the fire perimeter is where most of the growth has been this last week. It is burning in the Aldo Leopold Wilderness.

Smoke

Most of Southwest NM should again experience overall Good air quality as the fire progressed relatively slowly yesterday and will likely perform the same today. With mostly westerly winds areas to the east of the active fire will bear the brunt of the smoke. Silver City and the Gila Cliff Dwellings should continue to have overall good air quality today and tomorrow. Truth or Consequences should see good air quality today and tomorrow with Moderate smoke around sunset both days. The Caballo area will probably have smoke in the moderate to USG (unhealthy for sensitive) tonight, and have overall Moderate air quality during both days. Kingston and Hillsboro today will probably have Moderate smoke becoming USG overnight, then Moderate air quality the rest of tomorrow. Winston and Chloride will likely have good air quality today and tomorrow. From San Lorenzo north to Lake Roberts may have Moderate Smoke first thing each morning but have overall good air quality both days.



Station	Yesterday			Sat 6/11	Comment for Today -- Sun, Jun 12	Forecast*	
	hourly	6a	noon			Sun 6/12	Mon 6/13
Lake Roberts					Lake Robert should have overall good air quality today and tomorrow		
Silver City					Silver City should continue to have good air quality today and tomorrow.		
San Lorenzo					From San Lorenzo north should have overall good air quality today and tomorrow		
Datil-Gila Visitor Center					The Gila Cliff Dwelling should experience good air quality today and tomorrow.		
Winston-285 Saint Cloud Rd					Winston and Chloride will likely have good air quality today and tomorrow.		
Hillsboro					Kingston and Hillsboro will likely have overall Moderate smoke all weekend		
Truth Or Consequences					T or C should see overall good air quality all weekend		
Caballo					The Caballo area will likely have moderate to USG smoke tonight and tomorrow.		

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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 reduce prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.
Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups* should avoid all 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

[Black Fire Information Inciweb](#) -- <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8103/>
[NMED Department of health](#) -- <https://nmtracking.doh.nm.gov/environment/air/FireAndSmoke.html>
[Smoke updates Black Fire](#) -- <https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook/dde9ec52>

[Air Now Fire & Smoke Information](#) -- <https://fire.airnow.gov/>
[Air Quality & Health Information](#) -- <https://www.airnow.gov/air-quality-and-health/how-smoke-from-fires-can-affect-your-health/>
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