

News Release

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Air Quality Advisory Chelan and Manson Area – Unhealthy at 1:00 pm

Areas around Chelan and Manson are receiving smoke from the Wolverine Fire. At times Air Quality is expected to be Unhealthy or Unhealthy for Sensitive Populations. Information here can provide guidance for the level of smoke you are seeing and the precautions recommended.

We will have more air quality information available for the public over the next few days. Air Quality will vary throughout the day. Individuals with pre-existing heart and lung diseases, the elderly, and children are at highest risk of experiencing health complications from smoke.

For more information go to http://www.cdhd.wa.gov/ to the air quality and fires page or the Chelan County face book page.

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Chelan-County-Emergency-Management/188543097925415

Category	Health Effects	General Precautions	Visibility
Good	None	None	10 miles
Moderate	Possible adverse health affects for people with pre-existing heart and lung diseases	None	4-9 miles
Unhealthy for sensitive people	Increasing likelihood of adverse health effects for those with pre-existing heart and lung diseases	People with pre-existing heart and lung diseases, the elderly, and children should <u>limit</u> prolonged <u>outdoor</u> exertion	2.5-3 miles
Unhealthy	Increased aggravation of pre- existing heart and lung diseases and premature mortality among sensitive populations. Increasing adverse respiratory effects in general population	People with pre-existing health conditions, the elderly, and children should <u>avoid</u> any prolonged exertion. Everyone else should <u>limit</u> prolonged exertion.	1.25-2 miles
Very Unhealthy	Significant aggravation of pre- existing heart and lung diseases and premature mortality among sensitive populations. Significant increase of adverse respiratory effects in the general population.	People with pre-existing conditions, the elderly, and children should <u>avoid</u> any outdoor activity or if possible, relocate to a "clean air" area. Everyone else should <u>avoid</u> prolonged exertion	1 mile
Hazardous	Serious aggravation of pre- existing heart and lung diseases. Increased pre-mature mortality among sensitive populations. Serious risk of adverse respiratory affects in the general population.	Everyone should <u>avoid</u> any outdoor exertion, remain indoors, or if possible relocate to a "clean-air" area	Less than 0.75 miles