



SMOKE OUTLOOK

Central Gila National Forest – Turkeyfeather Fire and Chicken Fire

7/12 - 7/13

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Interagency Wildland Fire Air Quality Response Program

24 hour avg AQI for 7/12

Turkeyfeather Fire

Chicken Fire

Gila Cliff Dwellings

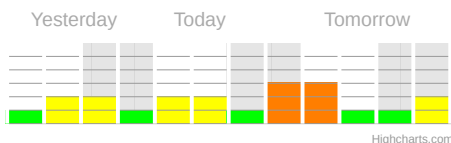
Cliff

Silver City

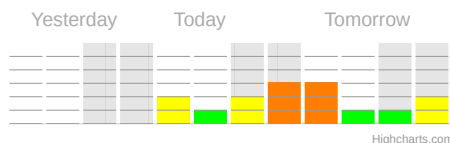
Mimbres

San Lorenzo

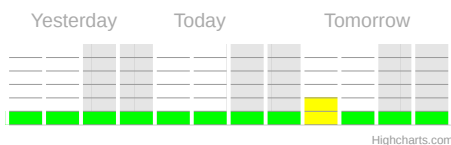
Mimbres Periods of USG AQ will occur this morning and again late tonight and Sunday morning



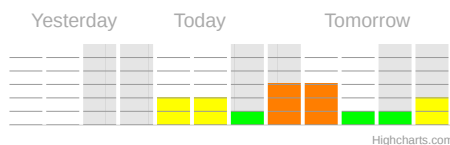
Gila Cliff Dwellings MODERATE AQ will occur through about midday then improvement is expected.



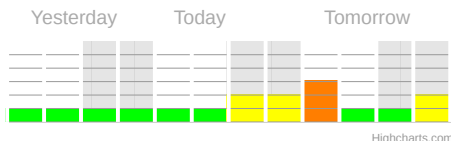
Silver City GOOD AQ will likely prevail but some smoke induced haze is likely in the afternoon and evening.



San Lorenzo Periods of USG AQ will occur this morning and again late tonight and Sunday morning



Cliff GOOD AQ will occur today, but increase in smoke tonight into Sunday.



FIRE

The **Turkeyfeather** fire is currently estimated at 10,572 acres and is 0% contained. Fire activity for the **Turkeyfeather** fire is expected to remain active. The **Chicken** fire is currently estimated at 272 acres and is 0% contained. Fire activity for the **Chicken** fire is expected to remain active. Numerous fires in Central Gila National Forest have the potential to send smoke into the outlook area. Associated fire activity is expected to remain active.

SMOKE

Transport winds below 14,000 ft MSL will become westerly today, while winds above 14,000 ft MSL will be northerly meaning smoke impacts of varying degrees will be experienced. Areas east of the fire, and clockwise down through the Mimbres Valley, will have periods of MODERATE AQ, while areas across Silver City and over to Gila and Cliff will have overall GOOD AQ based on fine particulates associated with wildfire, will see elevated smoke creating hazy skies this afternoon and evening. Smoke that gets trapped under the nighttime inversion will generally funnel southward tonight, with the main impacts in the Gila River drainages affecting Gila Hot Springs and Gila Cliff Dwellings as well as the drainages that feed the Mogollon Creek which will affect Gila and Cliff areas. Multiple hours of MODERATE AQ will likely occur in these areas tonight, with potentially a few hours of USG AQ or worse.

HEALTH STATEMENT

Smoke can be harmful to your health. Check with your doctor if there are any health concerns and monitor your local air quality conditions using the Fire and Smoke Map.

AIR QUALITY INDEX

Hazardous (H)

Very Unhealthy (VU)

Unhealthy (U)

Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups (USG)

Moderate (M)

Good (G)

ACTIONS TO PROTECT YOURSELF

Everyone should avoid any outdoor activity

Everyone should avoid all physical outdoor activity

People within Sensitive Groups should avoid all physical activity

People within Sensitive Groups should reduce prolonged or heavy exertion

Unusually sensitive individuals should consider limiting prolonged or heavy exertion

None

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VIEW ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.wildlandfiresmoke.net>

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.