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## **Southern Willamette Valley air quality stays good despite wildfires**

Air quality continues to improve as stronger onshore winds have pushed the smoke from the California wildfires out of the area. “The Air Quality Index for the Eugene/Springfield area has been green, or good, for the last day. There is still some smoke being carried with upper level winds, which is resulting in beautiful sunrises and sunsets. However, that smoke is not making it to ground level” said Sally Markos, LRAPA spokesperson.

Meteorologists are predicting a slight chance of showers over the next 24 hours with surface winds from the west and northwest, which will keep the smoke out of our area. The situation will continue to be monitored and updates provided as conditions warrant.

LRAPA’s monitoring network measures pollution levels at sites in Eugene, Springfield, Cottage Grove, Oakridge and Florence. The public can track hourly particulate levels by logging onto the LRAPA website at [www.LRAPA.org](http://www.LRAPA.org).

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