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AIR QUALITY IMPROVING ACROSS THE PUGET SOUND REGION

Stage 1 Air Quality Burn Ban Lifted For King, Kitsap, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties

Air pollution levels are improving quickly in the Puget Sound region. We are seeing GOOD air quality again in many locations. We still see some smoke in Snohomish County that should clear out in the next couple hours. However, Darrington still has air pollution levels that are UNHEALTHY for everyone and will take more time to clear. With many fires expected to burn into September, we may continue to see smoke impacts as weather patterns shift, potentially as early as Monday for a day or two.

Check our [website](#) forecast and discussion for the most up-to-date conditions. To receive text updates on wildfires smoke changes, text WILDFIRES to 313131.

To learn more about how to prepare for wildfire smoke, visit our [website](#).

The Stage 1 air quality burn ban for King, Kitsap, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties is lifted as of 1 PM today, August 23, 2018.

Remember fire safety burn bans are still in effect. Check with your county fire marshal for more information.

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The Puget Sound Clean Air Agency is an air quality management agency serving King, Kitsap, Pierce and Snohomish counties. Created as a result of the 1967 Washington Clean Air Act, the agency protects public health by adopting and enforcing air quality regulations, educating individuals and businesses about clean-air choices and sponsoring voluntary initiatives to improve air quality.

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