

Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security



SMOKE EXPECTED TUESDAY FROM CANADIAN WILDFIRES

PERIODS OF DENSE SMOKE EXPECTED TO MOVE INTO CONNECTICUT LATE MONDAY NIGHT (TONIGHT) AND CONTINUE INTO TUESDAY AFTERNOON. THE SMOKE WILL RESULT IN REDUCED VISIBILITY AND POOR AIR QUALITY.

7:30 PM JUNE 5, 2023 UPDATE

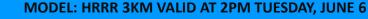
Near ground level smoke is expected to arrive in Connecticut late Monday night (tonight) and continue into Tuesday afternoon. The smoke is a result of wildfires burning in the Quebec and Ontario provinces of Canada.

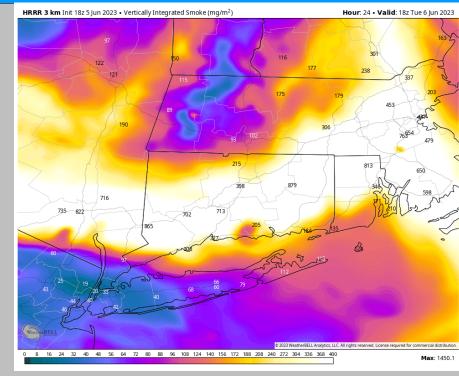
The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) has issued an Air Quality Action Day for fine particulates from midnight tonight to midnight tomorrow night (00:00-23:59). An Air Quality Action Day means that fine particulate concentrations within the region may approach or exceed unhealthy standards.

In addition to air quality concerns there will also be intermittent reduced visibility throughout the night and continuing into Tuesday afternoon. The air may also have the smell of smoke throughout the day on Tuesday.

The smoke is modeled to exit the state Tuesday night and should be completely gone by Wednesday morning. The air may have a smell of smoke to it for much of Tuesday.

DESPP / DEMHS will continue to monitor conditions and provide any updates as warranted.





AIR QUALITY INDEX FORECAST FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023

TOWN	FINE PARTICLES (PM2.5)	AQI SEVERITY LEVEL
BRIDGEPORT	126	UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS
CORNWALL	117	UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS
DANBURY	119	UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS
EAST HARTFORD	121	UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS
GROTON	119	UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS
NEW HAVEN	114	UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS