

Smoke from Ferguson Fire blowing into San Joaquin Valley, prompting air quality caution

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Smoke from the Ferguson Fire, which has burned 4,000 acres in the Sierra National Forest and was 2 percent contained as of Sunday afternoon, has brought the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District to warn that people from the northern part of the valley down to Tulare County be cautious of exposure.

A caution has not yet been issued for Kern County, but Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno and Tulare Counties were included in the list.

Children, the elderly and people with respiratory conditions are highly susceptible to impacts from the smoke, which can include asthma attacks and lung disease.

Air quality impacts from wildfires can be checked at valleyair.org/wildfires or by going on the Valley Air app.