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POOR AIR QUALITY IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles informs all Filipinos and Filipino-Americans in Southern California that two current wildfires in Southern California, the **Bobcat Fire** and a smaller fire dubbed, **“El Dorado Fire”** are causing **poor air quality in SoCal areas**.

A red haze caused by smoke and ash fall enveloped some SoCal counties on 10 September 2020 including Los Angeles which is 28 miles (45 km) away from the fire lines.

The South Coast Air Quality Management District Smoke Advisory issued on 10 September 2020 cited both the **Bobcat Fire** in Los Angeles County and **El Dorado Fire** in Riverside and San Bernadino Counties to have been producing substantial amounts of smoke since 09 September 2020.

Current information on the Bobcat Fire can be found on the Incident Information System (InciWeb) at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7152>.

Current information on the El Dorado Fire can be found on the InciWeb at: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7148/>

Smoke transported from fires in Central and Northern California may also contribute to smoke and unhealthy air in Southern California. **Unhealthy air quality index** was monitored in **Azusa, Redlands, Glendora, San Gabriel Valley, Santa Monica** mountains and portions of the **Inland Empire**.

Smoke and ash were forecasted in portions of **Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Riverside Counties**.

Local residents are advised to limit their exposure to the smoke and ash by **remaining indoors with windows and doors closed** or seeking alternate shelter, and by **avoiding vigorous physical activity**.

For more information on protecting yourself against wildfire smoke, please visit South Coast AQMD’s Wildfire Smoke & Ash Health & Safety Tips page: <http://www.aqmd.gov/wildfire-health-info-smoke-tips>.

In case of **emergency, dial 9-1-1 or 877-ASK-LAPD or 1-877-275-5273**.

Filipinos needing urgent assistance may also call (213) 587-0758; (213) 268-9990; (213) 269-7852. END.