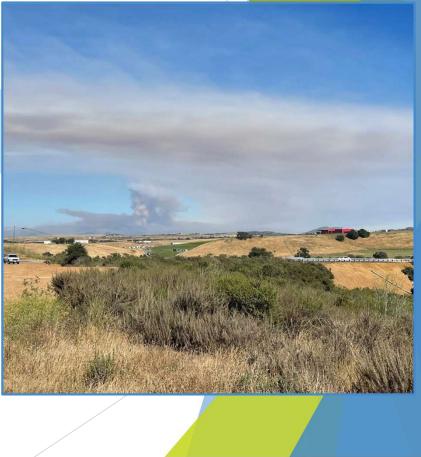
# Lake Fire & Air Quality

### Board of Directors Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District

Our Mission: To protect the people and the environment of Santa Barbara County from the effects of air pollution.

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August 15, 2024



### Lake Fire Air Quality Timeline



13 days = number of days the County was under an Air Quality Watch 7 days = number of days Air Quality Alert in Los Olivos & Santa Ynez Valley

### **APCD Efforts**

- Participated in daily OEM coordination calls
- **Expanded PM<sub>2.5</sub> network** 
  - Deployed 4 temporary E-BAMs
  - Sisquoc, Paradise Road, Los Alamos & New Cuyama
- Partnered with agencies throughout the region
  - Santa Barbara County Office Of Emergency Management
  - Santa Barbara County Public Health
  - Santa Barbara County Fire Department
  - U.S. Forest Service
  - Blue Sky Center
  - > California Air Resources Board
  - U.S. Forest Service assigned an Air Resource Advisor

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## **Community Outreach Efforts**

- Coordinated with Public Health to issue News Releases
  - English & Spanish
- APCD website switched to the Wildfire Smoke Splash Page
  - > Resources front & center
- Air Quality Text Alerts
  - > Sent to ~ 700 subscribers
- Social media outlets used throughout incident
  - > Instagram, NextDoor & Twitter
- Information distributed when moving back into evacuated area
  - > Asbestos & ash clean up



### Thank You

