



## Director's Report for April 2022

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### AIR QUALITY: 04/01/2022 to 04/30/2022

April

Site	Date	Max AQI	Pollutant
Eug/Spfld	7-Apr-22	39	O3
Oak	25-Apr-22	36	PM
CottGrv	30-Apr-22	40	O3

AQI	Eug/Spfld	Oak	CottGrv	Range
Good	30	30	30	0-50
Moderate	0	0	0	51-100
USG	0	0	0	101-150
Unhealthy	0	0	0	151-200
Very Unhealthy	0	0	0	201-300
Hazardous	0	0	0	201-300

**Attachment No. 1: Air quality index charts for Eugene/Springfield (April 2022)**

**Attachment No. 2: Air quality index charts for Oakridge (April 2022)**

**Attachment No. 3: Air quality index charts for Cottage Grove (April 2022)**

**COMPLAINTS: 04/01/2022 to 04/30/2022 [TOTAL: 75]**

1. **Smoke** – 36 total smoke complaints: 30 for outdoor burning and 6 for home wood heating.
2. **Industry** – 27 total complaints: 24 for International Paper; 1 for JH Baxter; 1 for Pacific Recycling, West Eugene; and 1 for 9 Wood, Springfield.
3. **Miscellaneous/Unknown/other/asbestos** – 12 total complaints: 7 for unknown odors (5 Eugene, 2 Springfield); 1 for Agricultural burn; 4 for asbestos.

**Complaints continued:**

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	*2022
Dust	44	30	14	25	32	25	26	15	17	26	2
Ag/Field Burning	1	17	4	12	9	1	0	6	2	7	2
General Air Quality	6	26	30	15	20	14	6	12	4	8	1
Home Wood Heating	95	219	121	342	130	197	126	128	74	57	35
Industry	128	122	127	52	58	74	50	170	100	336	94
Outdoor Burning	268	321	279	251	266	281	351	402	423	243	120
Slash Burning	7	5	7	11	26	13	24	16	12	10	1
Miscellaneous	79	52	57	85	164	138	66	67	59	40	29
Unknown	17	14	35	46	56	63	29	39	74	71	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>300</b>

\* Year-To-Date

**ENFORCEMENT: 04/01/2022 to 04/30/2022**

<b>Category of Violation</b>	<b>New</b>	<b>Follow-Up Action</b>	<b>Pending</b>	<b>Closed</b>	<b>Total</b>
Asbestos	1	-	-	-	<b>1</b>
Industrial	-	1	2	1	<b>4</b>
Outdoor Burning	1	-	2	2	<b>5</b>
Fugitive Dust	-	-	-	-	-
Home Wood Heating	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	-	<b>10</b>

## **NEW/OPEN ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS STATUS REPORT**

**04/01/2022 -- 04/30/2022**

**Report of open and actions initiated since last report**

### **NEW (New enforcement actions issued between: 04/01/2022 -- 04/30/2022)**

1. **JOHNSON, CHRIS (COTTAGE GROVE) 35079 KENADY LANE**
  - A. Violation: Outdoor burning such as to create a nuisance; outdoor burning of prohibited materials (household garbage); conducting outdoor burning in barrels
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3855 issued 04/06/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2022-3855 (\$375) issued 04/20/2022
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  
2. **PRECISION CONST & EXCAVATION LLC (EUGENE) 1625 HENDERSON AVE. SPACE C-8**
  - A. Violation: Failure to obtain an asbestos survey from an accredited asbestos inspector prior to conducting the demolition of a facility; 43-015(8)(B) - Allowing for the open storage and accumulation of asbestos containing materials or asbestos containing waste materials.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3856 issued 04/19/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2022-3856 (\$2,200) issued 04/20/2022
  - D. Resolution: PENDING

### **ACTIONS PERFORMED Enforcement actions issued prior to 04/01/2022 with subsequent action in the current reporting period):**

1. **BONAR, LANCE (CRESWELL) 33653 EAST HARVEY ROAD**
  - A. Violation: Outdoor burning of prohibited materials (glass, metal, fiberglass); outdoor burning of construction/demolition debris without first obtaining an Outdoor Burning Letter Permit (OBLP) from LRAPA
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3847 issued 02/09/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2021-3847 (\$1100) issued 02/09/2022: no response, default order judgment filed with Lane County for a lien on the property
  - D. Resolution: CASE CLOSED on 04/18/2022

2. **BONAR, LANCE (CRESWELL) 33653 EAST HARVEY ROAD**
  - A. Violation: Failure to constantly attend an outdoor burn; outdoor burning of prohibited materials (painted dimensional wood, tar paper) outdoor burning of construction/demolition debris without first obtaining an Outdoor Burning Letter Permit (OBLP) from LRAPA
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3849 issued 02/03/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2021-3849 (\$1,900) issued 02/09/2022: no response, default order judgment filed with Lane County for a lien on the property
  - D. Resolution: CASE CLOSED on 04/18/2022
  
3. **ROSBORO COMPANY, LLC (SPRINGFIELD) 2509 MAIN STREET**
  - A. Violation: Exceeded 20% opacity limit from EU-01 (Boiler 3) for a period or periods aggregating more than 3 minutes in any one hour.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3850 issued 02/18/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2022-3850 (\$5,400) issued 04/06/2022 - paid
  - D. Resolution: CASE CLOSED on 04/18/2022
  
4. **FPG OREGON, LLC dba WILLAMETTE VALLEY CREMATORY (EUG) 225 SOUTH DANEBO**
  - A. Violation: Failed to maintain continuous monitoring data of final chamber (afterburner) exit temperature for all crematory incinerators at the facility; failure to submit Annual Report by February 15, 2022.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3854 issued 03/30/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2022-3854 (\$2,600) issued 04/20/2022
  - D. Resolution: PENDING

**PENDING (Enforcement actions issued prior to 04/01/2022 with no subsequent action in the current reporting period):**

1. **OREGON INDUSTRIAL LUMBER PRODUCTS, (SPRINGFIELD) 3950 MARCOLA ROAD**
  - A. Violation: Respondent continues to operate wood fired boiler in such a manner as to cause the deposition of ash fallout on the property of other persons and has failed to correct the issue in a timely manner.

- B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3838 issued 06/21/2021
  - C. Subsequent Action: PENDING - NON response received with submitted documents under review; Respondent to install equipment and submit notice to construct application to LRAPA. 03/04/2022 update It sounds like by the end of the month that we should have the Twin City Fan, ducting and catwalk support structure onsite. The ABB VFD has arrived and is in our shop. Once Structure is done O&S will be onsite to complete the footings. Let me know if you need more info at this time. It pushes the anticipated timeline out a couple of weeks. Finalize plans for groundwork, platform and electrical infrastructure modifications - estimated February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Fabrication of platform, offsite contractor - from March 7<sup>th</sup>-March 21<sup>st</sup>. Groundwork and install footings, put up platform - estimated week of March 21<sup>st</sup>. Install equipment and platform, relocate power line - from March 28<sup>th</sup> to April 11<sup>th</sup>. Finalize ducting between new equipment and boiler – estimated week of April 18<sup>th</sup>. Startup estimate new system - April 25<sup>th</sup>). The structure for the equipment has been put up. The ID Fan arrived on April 15. Power poles are set for the overhead electrical feeder move. We are awaiting an update from our electrical contractor for service panel availability and delivery. Once that has arrived will schedule our shutdown to complete the install. ***(All dates subject to availability of equipment, contractors and sub-contractors.***
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
2. BASARABA, DANIEL (CRESWELL) 82671 HOWE LANE
- A. Violation: failure to attend outdoor burning until extinguished; failure to promptly extinguish illegal outdoor burning; outdoor burning when prohibited; outdoor burning such as to create a nuisance or hazard to public safety; outdoor burning of prohibited materials (wiring, aerosol cans, materials that emit noxious odors when outdoor burned); failure to conduct outdoor burning in an efficient manner; outdoor burning of construction/demolition wastes without first obtaining a letter permit issued by LRAPA. LRAPA Title 47 "Outdoor Burning" enclosed; Respondent may submit to LRAPA in writing, within 15 days of receipt of NON 3845, an account of the events pertaining to the allegations expressed in the "Violations(s) description:" section of NON 3845.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3845 issued 11/29/2021
  - C. Subsequent Action: PENDING
  - D. Resolution: PENDING

3. **KINGSFORD MFG (SPRINGFIELD) 3315 MARCOLA ROAD**

- A. Violation: Exceeded 20% opacity from EU03 (Permit condition 22.); failed to notify LRAPA of Excess Emission Event in accordance with Permit condition 86.a, failed to submit written report of the event in accordance with Permit condition 86.b.; 86.d.
- B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3852 issued 03/15/2022
- C. Subsequent Action: PENDING
- D. Resolution: PENDING

4. **HULSING, THOMAS (EUGENE) 85305 SARVIS BERRY LANE**

- A. Violation: Conducting an outdoor burn without a responsible person or expressly authorized agent constantly attending the outdoor burn pile; and failure to conduct an outdoor burn in accordance with the burning advisory issued by LRAPA.
- B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3853 issued 03/21/2022
- C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2022-3853 (\$800) issued 03/21/2022: no response, default order judgment for a lien on the property in process
- D. Resolution: PENDING

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	*2022
<b>Notices of Non-compliance and Warnings</b>	41	51	36	38	41	39	41	55	15	21	9
<b>Notices of Violation with Civil Penalties</b>	29	23	28	37	37	28	43	37	26	17	9

**OUTDOOR BURNING LETTER PERMITS: 04/01/2022 to 04/30/2022**

**There were three Outdoor Burning Letter Permit (OBLP) issued in April.**

1. Issued Special Letter Permit 20B22-04-01 on April 1 to Toby Dilworth, 7027 Thurston Road, Springfield, to burn 10 cubic yards of Commercial debris located at 40234 Reuben Leigh Road, Lowell.
2. Issued Special Letter Permit 20B22-04-02 on April 5 to Alex Gianotas, 89850 Sheffler Road, Elmira, to burn 500 cubic yards of Land Clearing debris located at Tax Lots #17-05-32-10-01104/01100, Veneta.
3. Issued Special Letter Permit 20B22-04-03 on April 12 to Jeff Goracke (Goracke Bros), 26457 Bellfountain Road, Monroe, to burn 100 cubic yards of Forest Slash debris located at Tax Lot #16-05-28-00-00101/002021, Cheshire.

**ASBESTOS ABATEMENT: 04/01/2022 to 04/30/2022**

During April, LRAPA received 39 notices of asbestos removal projects, none of which were Schools.

**For perspective, here is how the total number of asbestos abatement notices filed, how many were schools and the number of notices inspected for calendar year 2022 compares to previous years:**

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	*2022
<b>Total Asbestos Abatement Notices</b>	324	351	352	426	444	543	428	488	439	408	149
<b>School Asbestos Abatement Notices (NESHAP)</b>	53	24	21	24	27	28	24	16	25	20	3
<b>Number of Asbestos Abatements Inspected</b>	90	96	67	89	82	120	77	94	93	104	42

\* Year-To-Date.

**PERMITTING (TITLE V AND ACDP): 04/01/2022 to 04/30/2022**

LRAPA currently permits 14 Title V sources and approximately 275 Air Contaminant Discharge Permit (ACDP) sources. Below are the total numbers of permit activities that are new, renewals, modifications, construction approvals, registration applications, terminated and/or total issued permits the Operations staff currently have in process.

<b>Category of Permit Activity</b>	<b>Title V</b>	<b>ACDP</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Total Active</b>
<b>New</b>	-	4	-	4
<b>Renewals</b>	8	21	-	29
<b>Modifications</b>	5	6	-	11
<b>Constructions</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Registrations</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Terminated Permits</b>	-	4	-	4
<b>Total Issued Permits Year-to-date</b>	1	22	-	23

April 2022 Public Affairs  
Monthly Summary

### **On-Going**

#### **Smoke management from wood stoves, outdoor burning, and wildfires**

Preparation for wildfire season is in full swing. LRAPA participated in the 2022 Smoke Management in the Northwest Conference to receive updates on recent policies, programs, tools, data, and resources related to wildfire and smoke management, with a focus on the Pacific Northwest. Sessions will integrate both forest and human health considerations, the impacts of COVID-19, climate change projections, the use of prescribed fire, communication tools, and public health protection strategies.

#### **Public outreach efforts**

Engagement with neighbors and interested community members in west Eugene on the J.H. Baxter facility continues. LRAPA, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) published a [Frequently Asked Question factsheet](#) to answer common questions and concerns raised through community engagement on the facility. In the factsheet, and during an early April Core Team meeting, LRAPA detailed what is and is not currently allowed at the facility from an air regulation perspective. LRAPA Public Affairs continues to work collaboratively with DEQ and OHA on public communications surrounding the facility.

Public affairs furthered efforts to strengthen relationships and coordination with existing neighborhood associations. Meetings and correspondence have occurred between the Active Bethel Community Neighborhood Association, Whiteaker Community Council, and Santa Clara Community Organization with the goal to utilize these relationships to provide air quality information directly to neighborhood groups on any number of air quality topics, such as wildfire smoke preparedness, home wood heating information, and public notices on industrial facilities.

In April, LRAPA was awarded a \$2.7 million Targeted Airshed Grant by the EPA to further air quality improvement work in Oakridge and Westfir. LRAPA successfully engaged multiple news outlets on this news. LRAPA presented at an Oakridge City council meeting to describe the Oakridge Air program offered to the community to improve air quality within the Oakridge & Westfir airshed.

Progress continues to be made on LRAPA's website redesign. Website contractors currently anticipate a website launch and in late June 2022.

#### **Public Meetings**

Public affairs were present or participated in three community meetings:

- J.H. Baxter & Co. Community Core Team Meeting – Monday April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 | 6:00pm – 8:00pm
  - To described continued dioxin cleanup effort of residential homes near J.H. Baxter & Co. and detail ongoing regulation of the facility.
- Ready NW Eugene April Preparedness Meeting – Tuesday April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 | 6:30pm – 7:30pm
  - To provide information and resources on air quality monitoring in Lane County and steps to limit exposure during wildfire smoke intrusions.
- Oakridge City Council Regular Meeting & Executive Session – Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 | 7:00pm – 8:00pm
  - To present on Oakridge Air and connect Oakridge City Council with Oakridge Air programs and resources.
- Whiteaker Community Council – Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 | 7:00pm – 8:30pm
  - Attending to witness Council Chair elections.
- Eugene Airport Rotary – Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 | 7:30am – 9:00am
  - Provide an LRAPA 101 overview and take questions.

**Media Contacts**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>MEDIA</b>	<b>PERSON</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>
04/07/2022	RG	Adam Duvernay	\$2.7 million TAG funding for Oakridge
04/08/2022	KLCC	Brian Bull	\$2.7 million TAG funding for Oakridge
04/08/2022	KEZI	Jaewon Jung	\$2.7 million TAG funding for Oakridge
04/11/2022	RG	Louis Krauss	Spring pollen & allergies
04/19/2022	Ethos Magazine	Kate Prentice	JH Baxter Update
04/21/2022	RG	Adam Duvernay	ALA State of the Air Report
04/22/2022	KLCC	Tiffany Eckert	ALA State of the Air Report
04/27/2022	High Country News	Kylie Mohr	JHB Air Toxics Assessment

**Press Releases**

04/07/2022	\$2.7 million in EPA funding coming to Oakridge and Westfir to reduce wintertime air pollution
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**Home Wood  
Heating  
Complaints**

6 for April 2022  
(as of 9:30am 5/2/2022)

## **UPCOMING LRAPA BOARD AGENDA ITEMS**

This schedule outline is a preview of upcoming agenda items, and we will update it as the time frames for additional issues become firmer.

### April 2022:

- ~~Second budget meeting on proposed budget for FY2023.~~
- ~~Status report on Oakridge Air Project.~~
- ~~Discuss process for Director's Performance Review.~~

### May 2022:

- Adopt budget for FY2023.
- Dashboard Report update.

### June 2022:

- Director's Performance Review (Executive Session)
- Status report on Oakridge Air Project.

### July 2022:

- Audit Report (subject to change)

### **August 2022 – NO MEETING**

### September 2022:

- Status report on Oakridge Air Project.
- **Discuss** local dues request to IGA partners for FY2024.

### October 2022:

- Dashboard Report update.
- Status report on Oakridge Air Project.

### November 2022:

- **Approve** local dues request to IGA partners for FY2024.

### **December 2022 – NO MEETING**

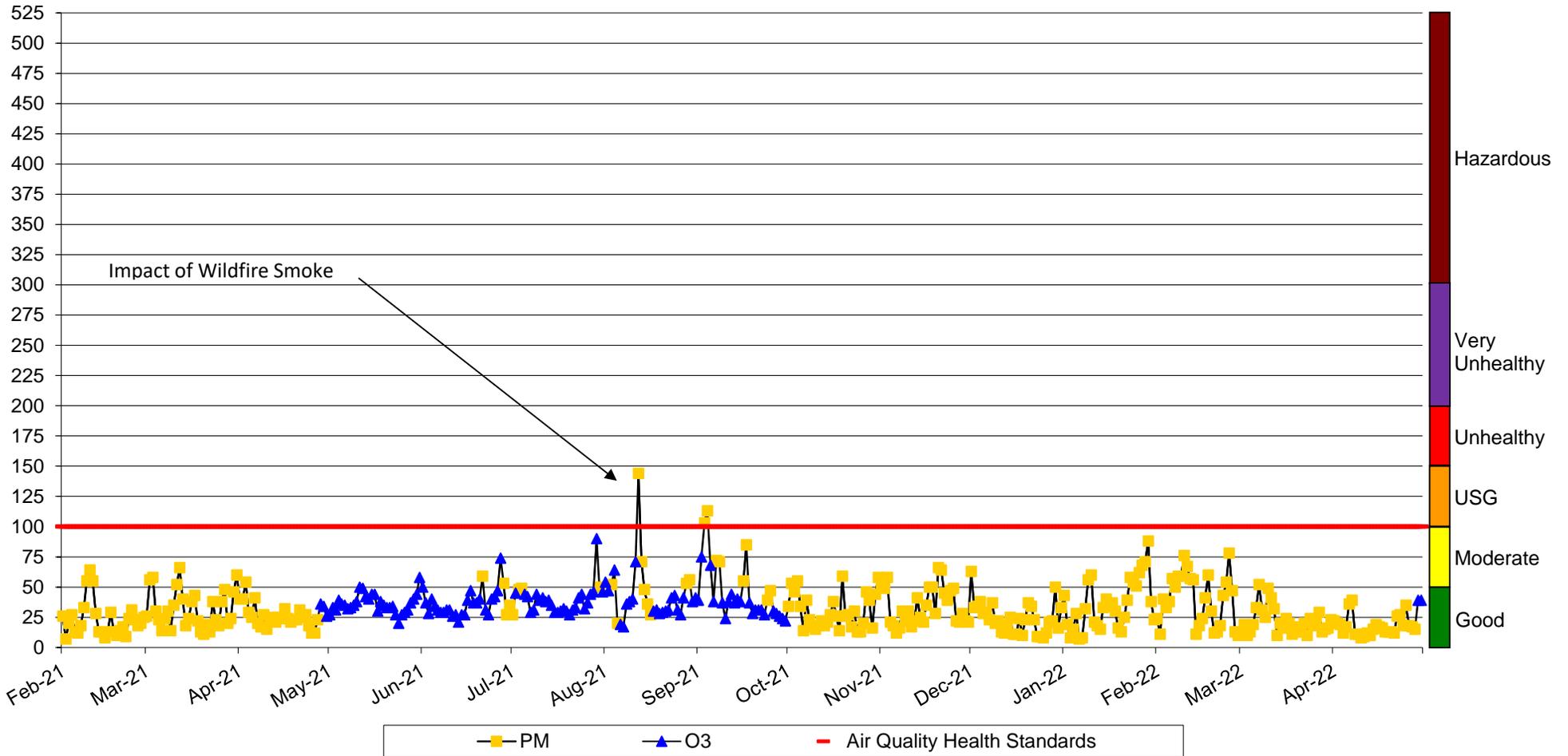
### January 2023:

- Preview upcoming appointments on board and committees.
- Status report on Oakridge Air Project.

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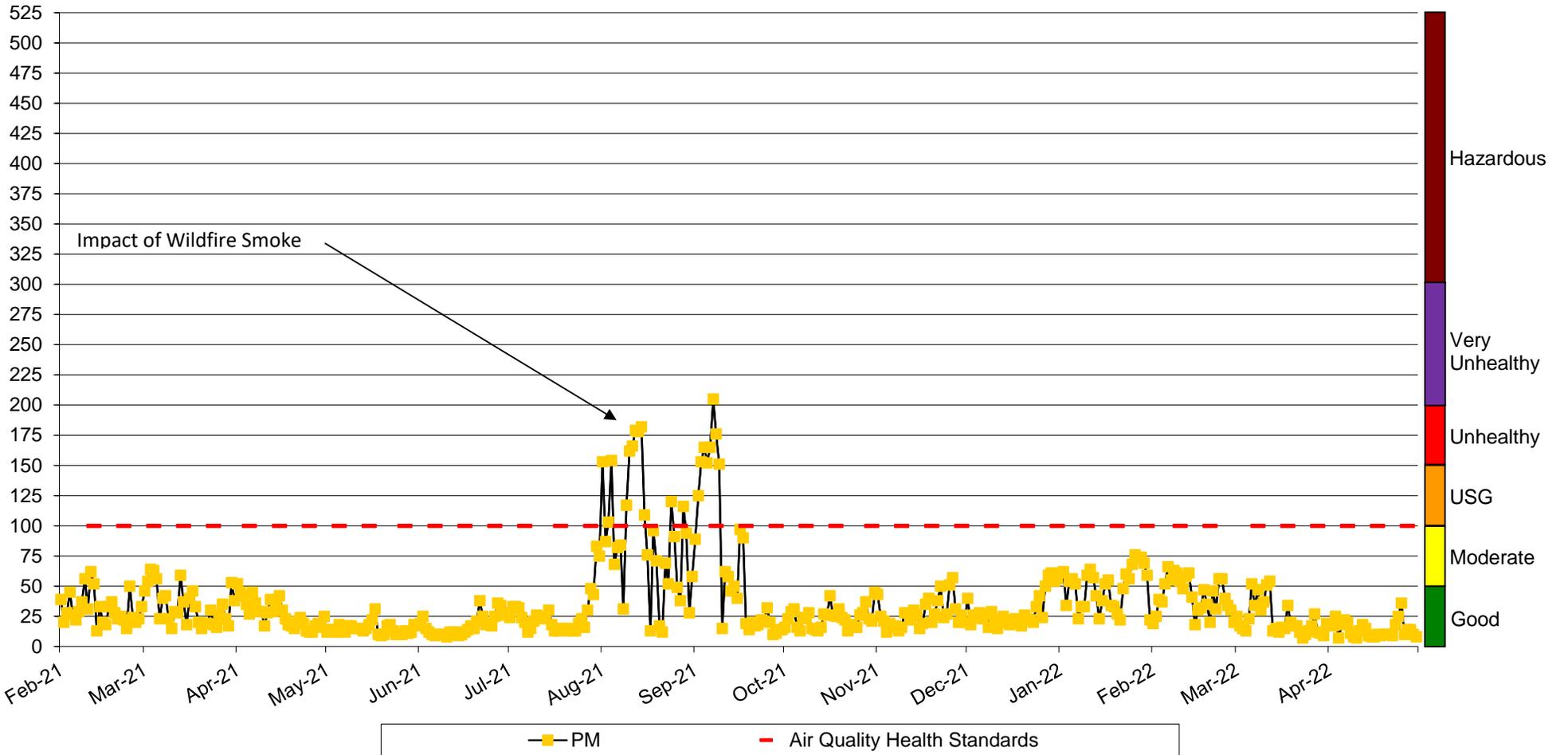
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