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Air Quality Advisory 16 August 2018

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Due to continued wildfires burning throughout Oregon and the Pacific Northwest the current air quality for Pendleton and Milton-Freewater is remains as **Red or Unhealthy**. This means that: **Everyone should limit time spent outdoors. Everyone should avoid exercising outdoors (including sports teams) and choose non-strenuous indoor activities. People with asthma, respiratory infection, diabetes, lung or heart disease, or have had a stroke should stay indoors. Infants, children, pregnant women and adults over age 65 should also stay indoors.**

The Umatilla County Health Department therefore advises the community to limit outdoor exercise and to stay indoors in well ventilated areas to the extent possible.

Oregon continues to monitor air quality throughout the state and updated reports can be found at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality web site:

https://airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=airnow.local_city&mapcenter=0&cityid=727

Umatilla County Health Department will continue to monitor the air quality reports and issues warnings and press releases as indicated by changes in the situation.

Please contact the Department if you have further questions or concerns regarding air quality or any other health matter.

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