My NASA Data - Interactive Models Pollutant Source and Transport

Grade Band

- 6-8
- 9-12

Time

• 50 minutes

Directions

Click the button below to access the Pollutant Source and Transport Interactive Model.

Smoke During California Wildfires



In September of 2020, several very large wildfires burned in the state of California. In the imagery in the panel you can see the smoke caused by the wildfires beginning September 4th, 2020. The locations of the wildfires are shown in red in California, but you may have to zoom in to see them.

To view the images of smoke in California between September 4 and September 12, 2020, click play. You can also click the forwards/backwards buttons in the panel.







Teacher Note

Teachers who are interested in receiving the answer key, please complete the **Teacher Key Request**

and Verification Form. We verify that requestors are teachers prior to sending access to the answer keys as we've had many students try to pass as teachers to gain access.

NGSS Three Dimensional Learning

NGSS Disciplinary Core Ideas

ESS2A: Earth Materials and Systems

ESS3C: Human Impacts on Earth Systems

Crosscutting Concepts

Stability and Change

Science and Engineering Practices

- Developing and Using Models
- Analyzing and Interpreting Data

Learning Objectives

- Students will analyze changes in air quality over time.
- Students will differentiate between sources of air pollution.
- Students will describe how air pollution interacts with the Earth System.

Essential Questions

- 1. What are the mechanisms by which air pollution is transported?
- 2. What are the differences between sources of air pollution?
- 3. How does air pollution interact with the Earth System?

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