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## DUST ADVISORY ENDED FOR VERNON

(January 19, 2025 10:00 AM) The Ministry of Environment and Parks in collaboration with the Interior Health Authority has ended the Dust Advisory that was issued on January 17, 2025 for Vernon due to elevated concentrations of dust. Changing meteorological conditions have improved conditions across the region.

Real-time air quality observations and information regarding the health effects of air pollution can be found at https://www.gov.bc.ca/airquality.

## Additional Information

• The provincial air quality objective for  $PM_{10}$  is 50 micrograms per cubic metre ( $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup>), averaged over 24 hours. 24-hour average  $PM_{10}$  concentrations are summarized below for Vernon and nearest monitored communities at 10:00 AM local time today:

| Community             | Castlegar | Golden | Kelowna | Vernon |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------|---------|--------|
| 24-hr average (ug/m3) | 18.0      | 37.2   | 12.3    | 37.7   |

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