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Air Quality Alert Issued

(Canton, OH) - James M. Adams, Canton City Health Commissioner, has issued an Air Quality Alert for Stark County due to on-going elevated concentrations of fine particulate matter (PM2.5) due to smoke from wildfires in Canada. PM2.5 levels have increased since yesterday and these conditions are expected to continue for at least the next 24 hours.

PM2.5 levels this morning places the Air Quality Index level in the “Unhealthy” category. People with heart or lung diseases, children, and older adults are the groups most at risk. These individuals should avoid strenuous outdoor activities, keep outdoor activities short, or consider moving physical activities indoors or rescheduling them. Those not in high risk groups should consider less strenuous outdoor activities and shorten the amount of time you are active outdoors.

To get the latest AQI readings based on the most current pollutant levels, visit www.airnow.gov .

Questions concerning this air quality alert may be directed to Canton City Public Health, Air Pollution Control at (330) 438-4640.

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