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## **Ozone Action Season is Underway**

The Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG) and the City of Toledo Division of Environmental Services announce Ozone Action Season – a public awareness campaign that will operate from May 17 through September. During Ozone Action Season, these agencies provide information about forecasted air quality and advice on how people can protect their health. Forecasts are based on expected temperature, wind, heat, and amount of sunshine. Ozone and particulates are most likely to be problems on hot, sunny days with low winds and high humidity.

Forecasts will be made twice each week, or more often during periods of unusual weather conditions. Forecasts will predict one of four levels of air quality conditions: **Good; Satisfactory; Precautionary Measures Should be Taken by Sensitive Groups; and Caution.** To receive the ozone forecast by e-mail, please ask to be added to the Ozone Action Season list. Contact [env.information@toledo.oh.gov](mailto:env.information@toledo.oh.gov).

Everyone is affected by ozone. Especially sensitive groups include anyone with asthma or emphysema, and young children (who breathe much more air per pound than adults). But athletes or people working outdoors should also be aware of ozone levels and try to adjust their activity and exposure.

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