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**Air Quality Warning Cancelled for Southern Santa Barbara County  
Avoid Stirring Up Ash**

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — Today, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department and the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District cancelled the Air Quality Warning that was in effect for the southern areas of Santa Barbara County.

The Sherpa Fire is nearly fully contained. As temperatures cool this week, residents should take the opportunity to air out their homes.

Winds can still stir up ash, and over time those particles may be broken into smaller particles and blown into the air. Residents are urged to avoid using leaf blowers or doing any activities that will stir ash and particles into the air. Instead, sweep ash gently with a broom, and take cars to a car wash. Everyone should avoid skin contact with ash, and no one with heart or lung conditions should handle ash cleanup.

*For more information, visit our [www.OurAir.org](http://www.OurAir.org).*

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