

-ELEVATED- Air Pollution Advisory -ELEVATED-

The Environmental Protection Commission of Hillsborough County has issued an Air Pollution ADVISORY due to high levels of the pollutant OZONE. This advisory became effective at 4:00 pm today APRIL 22, 2008 when OZONE levels reached 86 PPB at the SIMMONS PARK air monitoring station, and are forecasted to persist at a high level resulting in an eight hour greater than the new standard of 75 ppb. This level of 75 PPB translates to an Air Quality Index of 101. Air Quality Index values from 101 - 150 are considered Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups. This advisory is in effect until dusk today. The outlook for tomorrow is: conditions which lead to today's exceedance are not likely to persist, with more moderate ozone levels expected. Individuals with pre-existing respiratory ailments, the elderly or the very young may want to take this into consideration when planning any outside activities. If you have any questions or need further information, please call: The Environmental Protection Commission, Air Management Division Tom Tamanini at (813) 363-8815.