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San Miguel/ Mora County News Release
Calf Canyon/ Hermits Peak Fire
Daily Information Update

Las Vegas – In collaboration with Santa Fe National Forest, fire managers will reduce the frequency of Community Meetings for the incident beginning today. Community Meetings will now be held Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. This change is a direct result of the positive progress firefighters have made in containing this fire and limiting fire growth. Daily operational updates will still be available on social media and will be posted at various locations around the fire.

A Red Flag Warning remains in effect today for critical fire weather, including low relative humidity and winds gusting up to 50 mph. This could increase fire behavior across the fire area and produce a visible smoke column. **Residents of San Miguel, Mora, Taos, Colfax and Santa Fe Counties should remain on high alert for changes to evacuation statuses and road closures.**

Please be advised that drones are prohibited in the temporary flight restriction zone which is outlined on the map. If drones enter the flight zone, firefighting aircraft are grounded.

Fire Personnel in Mora County- Please do not utilize the hydrants for filling apparatus. Fill with non-potable water.

Restrictions: Santa Fe National Forest Pecos/Las Vegas Ranger District closure order and map: fs.usda.gov/detail/santafe/alerts-notice/?cid=stelprd3802009. BLM New Mexico Fire Restrictions <https://tinyurl.com/BLMNewMexico>.

County Fire Restrictions: All open burning (burning of crop land, fields, range land, debris, burning slash piles, prescribed burning or weed burning) in San Miguel County, shall be banned throughout the unincorporated areas of the County, and the provisions of SMC Ordinance 03-9-99ORD are in effect. This ban shall prohibit any person from having, causing, starting, igniting and/or using open flame outside of a building, structure, automobile, or other enclosed area anywhere, throughout the unincorporated portions of San Miguel County.

Weather: A Red Flag Warning is in effect from 11 am Monday morning through 10 pm Monday evening, Minimum relative humidity values will be between 6 and 11%. Daytime temperatures will hold steady in the mid 60s-70s. Winds will ramp up, becoming southwesterly at 25 to 35 mph with gusts to 50 mph. Wind gusts up to 60 mph will be fairly widespread across the fire area.

Smoke: An interactive smoke map at <https://fire.airnow.gov/> allows you to zoom into your area to see the latest smoke conditions.

Power Outages: Power has been shut down in some evacuated areas. Lines will be re-energized when conditions are safe for fire personnel and law enforcement. Power has been restored to the community of Mora, for the purpose of water distribution, by authorization of the Incident Management Team.

LIVESTOCK OWNERS: If you have missing livestock within the evacuation zones, contact the New Mexico Livestock Board at (505) 841-6161

Federal Disaster Assistance: Visit <http://www.disasterassistance.gov/> To make it easier to communicate with FEMA create an online account. You can upload documents and check the status of your application from anywhere with an internet connection. **You can also Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362.** Lines are open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. MDT, seven days a week. If you use a relay service, such as a videophone (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service.

Future Fire Information: Fire Information Office Hours: 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM | Phone: 505-356-2636 | Email: 2022.hermitspeak@firenet.gov - Online: inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8069/ | facebook.com/CalfCanyonHermitsPeak | nmfireinfo.com | tinyurl.com/HermitsYouTube | [Santa Fe NF Website](http://SantaFeNFWebsite.com)

Fire Resource Hotline: 1-800-432-2080: The following phone number will provide residents impacted by the Calf Canyon/ Hermits Peak Fire with fire consequence resources or sheltering needs.

Updates will be posted on San Miguel County OEM, San Miguel's County Sheriff's, Mora County Sheriff's, and Fire Department Facebook pages.

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