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### Taos County Sheriff - Evacuation Update

**TAOS COUNTY** – Beginning Monday, May 23, the following Ready-Set-Go changes will go into effect for Taos County. The communities of Penasco (including Picuris Pueblo), El Valle, Las Trampas, and Vallecito and will be downgraded from Ready Status (Red) to No Status (Grey). The communities of 73 Corridor (N.M. 73), Vadito, Placita, and Rio Pueblo will be downgraded to Ready Status (Red).

Fire crews established protection lines in and near Ripley's Peak and on the western edge which prompted the evacuation and closure of the 73 Corridor (N.M 73).

N.M. 518 road closure has been moved to Sipapu (mile post 52) and the Taos/ Mora County line (mile post 42).

Respectfully,

Jerry L. Hogrefe  
Taos County Sheriff

