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## **San Miguel/ Mora County News Release Calf Canyon/ Hermits Peak Fire**

### **Sandbag Distribution Sites**

**Las Vegas** – San Miguel County has established multiple Sandbag Distribution Sites for communities with potential risk of debris-flows and flooding. Tied sandbags operations are currently underway for residents to pick up at the following locations.

- Cabo Lucero Volunteer Fire Department - 21 County Rd A29
- Sapello-Rociada Volunteer Fire Department - 649 State Route 94 (N.M. 94)
- La Placita Volunteer Fire Department - 242 State Route 65 (N.M. 65)
- San Geronimo Volunteer Fire Department - County Road A19A (CR A19A)
- San Miguel County Public Works - 10 Airport Road

Sandbags is a simple, but effective way to prevent or reduce flood water damage. Properly filled and placed sandbags can act as a barrier to divert moving water around, instead of through, buildings. Sandbag construction does not guarantee a water-tight seal but is satisfactory for use in most situations. Sandbags are also used successfully to prevent overtopping of streams with levees, and for training current flows to specific areas.

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