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San Miguel County News Release Calf Canyon/ Hermits Peak Fire

Flash Flood Warning

San Miguel County – The Hermits Peak and Calf Canyon Burn Scar in Northwestern San Miguel County in northeastern New Mexico... Until 545 PM MDT.

At 144 PM MDT, Doppler radar indicated thunderstorms producing heavy rain over the Gallinas Creek drainage of Hermits Peak and Calf Canyon Burn Scar. Up to 1 inch of rain has fallen. Additional rainfall amounts up to 1.0 inch is possible in the warned area. Flash flooding is ongoing or expected to begin shortly.

Excessive rainfall over the burn scar will impact the Gallinas River including Beaver Creek and Porvenir Canyon. Flash flooding is ongoing or expected to begin shortly. The debris flow can consist of rock, mud, vegetation, and other loose materials.

HAZARD.... Life threatening flash flooding. Thunderstorms producing flash flooding in and around the Hermits Peak and Calf Canyon Burn Scar.

IMPACT.... Life threatening flash flooding of areas in and around the Hermits Peak and Calf Canyon Burn Scar.

*Some locations that will experience flash flooding include... Las Vegas, El Porvenir, Montezuma, Storrie Lake State Park, and Gallinas.

This includes the following highways... State Road 65 between Mile Markers 1 and 14. State Road 518 between Mile Markers 1 and 10. Interstate 25 between Mile Markers 346 and 348.

Please stay up to date by listening to local radio and television for further information. Local officials may call for evacuations in specific areas with the greatest risk.

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