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

Flood Watch

Las Vegas/ Mora – The National Weather Service in Albuquerque has issued Flood Watch for The Hermits Peak-Calf Canyon burn scar for Mora County and San Miguel County in northeastern New Mexico.

...FLOOD WATCH IN EFFECT FROM NOON MDT TODAY THROUGH THIS EVENING...

- * **WHAT...**Flash flooding caused by excessive rainfall is possible.
- * **WHERE...**A portion of north central New Mexico, including the following areas, East Slopes Sangre de Cristo Mountains, and Southern Sangre de Cristo Mountains.
- * **WHEN...**From Noon MDT today through this evening.
- * **IMPACTS...**Excessive runoff may result in flooding of rivers, creeks, streams, and other low-lying and flood-prone locations, particularly within and downstream of the Hermits Peak-Calf Canyon wildfire burn scar. Low-water crossings may be flooded. Storm drains and ditches may become clogged with debris.
- * **ADDITIONAL DETAILS...**
 - Rounds of slow-moving showers and thunderstorms are expected this afternoon and evening over the Hermits Peak-Calf Canyon wildfire burn scar. Given the vulnerability of this area, rainfall today could cause flash flooding impacts within and downstream of the burn scar.
 - <http://www.weather.gov/abq/EmergencyPrepFlood>

Be sure to stay up to date with information from local authorities. Heavy rainfall could trigger flash flooding of low-lying areas, urbanized street flooding, and debris flows in and near recent wildfire burn scars. Significant runoff may cause flooding of creeks and rivers.

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