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

Flash Flood Warning

Las Vegas – The National Weather Service in Albuquerque has issued a Flash Flood Warning for The Hermits Peak Calf Canyon Burn Scar in South Central Taos County in north central New Mexico, Western Mora County in northeastern New Mexico and Northwestern San Miguel County in northeastern New Mexico.

* Until 345 PM MDT.

* At 1153 AM MDT, Doppler radar indicated thunderstorms producing heavy rain over the Hermits Peak Calf Canyon Burn Scar. Between 0.25 and 1 inch of rain has fallen. Additional rainfall amounts of 0.5 to 1.25 inches are possible in the warned area. Flash flooding is ongoing or expected to begin shortly.

Excessive rainfall over the burn scar will impact Manuelitas Creek, Sapello River, Rio San Jose, Santiago Creek, Rito Cebolla, Rio La Casa, Vigil Creek, Coyote Creek, Mora River, and La Canada del Carro. 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 Calf Canyon Burn Scar.

SOURCE...Radar.

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

* Some locations that will experience flash flooding include... Rio Pueblo near Angostura, Mora, Ledoux, Morphy Lake State Park, Cleveland, Tierra Monte, La Cueva, Holman, Gascon, Sapello, Chacon, South Carmen, Monte Aplanado, Luceros, Rainsville, Rociada, Manuelitas, Golondrinas, El Turquillo, San Ignacio and Guadalupita.

This includes the following highways... State Road 94 between Mile Markers 1 and 18. State Road 266 between Mile Markers 0 and 6. State Road 276 between Mile Markers 0 and 5. State Road 518 between Mile Markers 9 and 47. State Road 434 between Mile Markers 0 and 14. State Road 283 near Mile Marker 13. State Road 105 between Mile Markers 0 and 9. State Road 121 between Mile Markers 0 and 8.

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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