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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 REMAINS IN EFFECT FROM FRIDAY AFTERNOON THROUGH SATURDAY EVENING...

- * WHAT...Flash flooding caused by excessive rainfall continues to be possible.
- * WHERE...All areas of west-central, central, north-central, and eastern NM.
- * WHEN...From Friday afternoon through Saturday evening.

* IMPACTS...Excessive runoff may result in flooding of rivers, creeks, streams, and other low-lying and floodprone locations.

* ADDITIONAL DETAILS...

- An increase in moisture will allow for widespread showers and thunderstorms Friday afternoon through Saturday evening. Given saturated soils from previous heavy rainfall, it will not take much rain for flash flooding to occur. In and downstream of recent burn scars will be especially susceptible to flash flooding.

- 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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