

SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM



TEAM 3 – LANCE ELMORE– INCIDENT COMMANDER

Calf Canyon Fire 100% Contained August 21, 2022 – Calf Canyon Fire Update

Acres: 341,735 | Containment: 100% | Total personnel: 470 |
mits Peak: April 6, 2022: Calf Canyon: April 19, 2022 | Cause: Hermits |

Start Date: Hermits Peak: April 6, 2022; Calf Canyon: April 19, 2022 | Cause: Hermits Peak: Spot fires from prescribed burn; Calf Canyon: Holdover fire from prescribed pile burn | Location: 12 miles NW of Las Vegas, NM | Fuels: Heavy mixed conifer, ponderosa pine, brush, and grass

Highlights: Today fire managers on the Calf Canyon Fire announced that it is 100% contained. Containment signifies that a control line has been completed around the fire's perimeter, which can reasonably be expected to stop the fire's spread. Based on robust monsoonal moisture and monitoring of the fire perimeter for the last month, fire mangers have high confidence there are no remaining heat sources and no additional growth will occur.

The Calf Canyon Fire is still being managed as a wildfire, and fire personnel continue to work on the incident. Before a fire is declared "out," it must first be contained, then controlled. There is still ongoing suppression repair, burned area emergency response (BAER), flooding mitigation and monitoring activities to be completed.

Southwest Area Incident Management Team 4 led by Incident Commander Aaron Hulburd will assume command of the Calf Canyon Fire today, Sunday August 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Closures: The Santa Fe National Forest has reduced the fire closure area, opening additional access to the Pecos Wilderness. To view the new closure order and map visit - <u>Santa Fe - Alerts & Notices (usda.gov)</u>. Monsoon weather, firefighter and public safety, and completion of suppression repair activities play a part in the decision to revise or lift closure orders.

Weather: After the soaking cool rain from yesterday, temperatures will remain below average today. Shower coverage will substantially decrease with more isolated to scattered afternoon showers/storms. The flash flood threat will remain low. Daily isolated to scattered showers and storms will continue each afternoon/evening into the middle portion of the week with a low to moderate flash flood threat.

Fire Flooding and Recovery Resources: 2022 Wildland Fires Resources Hotline: https://www.nmdhsem.org/2022-wildfires/| After Wildfire New Mexico Guide: https://www.afterwildfirenm.org/| Hermits Peak and Calf Canyon Fires Burned Area Emergency Response: https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8104/

For questions or concerns related to flooding, please call the **New Mexico State Emergency Operations Center at 1-800-432-2080**. For federal disaster with fire or flood damage to your primary residence, please call the **FEMA Helpline at 1-800-621-3362**.

Private Land Suppression Repair Survey (English and Spanish): https://www.tinyurl.com/suppressionrepair. Call 720-417-8048 for assistance in English, or 505-398-3889 for assistance in Spanish.

Fire Information: Office Hours: 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM | Phone: 505-356-2636 | Email: 2022.hermitspeak@firenet.gov
Online Fire Information Resources: inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8069/ | https://www.facebook.com/santafeNF/ | nmfireinfo.com | Santa-Fe National Forest | Carson
National Forest