



Comanche Fire Update

June 21, 2023

Northern New Mexico Type 3 Incident Management Team
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Upcoming Actions: Tuesday's firing operations were successful. Fire crews began blacklining and will continue to strengthen the containment line along the focus area the next few days, with the possibility of helicopter aerial ignitions on Wed. or Thu. Fire managers continue to work closely with the meteorologist and specialists to assess conditions daily to ensure successful implementation of a confine and contain strategy for the lightning-caused wildfire.

One of the Carson National Forest's goals is to work with naturally-caused fire so it can fulfill its ecological role on the landscape scale under conditions where safety and values at risk can be protected.

Smoke: Smoke may be visible from Canjilon, Abiquiu, and El Rito. Smoke may impact the communities of Abiquiu, El Rito, Medenales, Hernandez and the Espanola Valley. Temporary smoke monitors have been placed at the El Rito Ranger Station, and at Ghost Ranch in Abiquiu. Air quality data is available on the [Fire and Smoke Map](https://fire.airnow.gov/) at fire.airnow.gov, where viewers may track smoke from the fire.

Community Open House: Drop in between 5 and 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jun. 22, at the El Rito Senior/Community Center at State Rd. 554, House #1115. Presentation at 6 p.m.

Closure: Temporary partial road closures are in effect on Forest Roads 137 and 20.

Fast Facts

Size: 99 acres

Cause: Lightning

Fuels: Ponderosa pine and mixed conifer

Values at risk: Cultural/historical sites.

Percent Completed: 1%

Resources: 4 hand crews, 2 wildland fire modules, 6 engines, 1 dozer, 2 water tender, 2 REMS teams, total personnel 205



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Fire and Smoke Map