



# Southwest Area Incident Management Team

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## Indios Fire experiences no growth over last 24 hours

Daily Update – Tuesday, June 4, 2024

**Acres:** 11,500

**Location:** 7 miles north of the village of Coyote, NM

**Completion:** 66%

**Start Date:** May 19, 2024

**Personnel:** 594

**Fuels:** Timber

**Highlights:** The acreage of the Indios Fire remains unchanged from yesterday, and crews successfully reached 66% completion of operational objectives. Decreased winds and lower fire activity resulted in diminished smoke impacts to surrounding communities. Due to the successful placement and reinforcement of control lines along the southwestern perimeter of the fire, the Rio Arriba Sheriff's Office downgraded the Corrales Ranch area from "set" to "ready" status yesterday.

**Operations:** On the northwest edge of the fire perimeter, firefighters continued to travel back and forth along the control lines to identify any actions needed to prevent fire spread, suppress spot fires, or extinguish hot spots. Crews monitored the fire area to assess fire effects, observe fire behavior, and evaluate progress toward meeting incident objectives. Fire behavior specialists noted that the fire is currently smoldering and creeping with a low flame within the fire perimeter. As fire slowly consumes vegetation in the interior, overall fire activity decreases each day. Firefighters conducted chipping operations along the western portion of fire, then finished work on Forest Road 64. Around the southern edge of the fire near the private property, firefighters mopped up hot spots, secured the handline, and patrolled along Forest Road 77. Today, firefighters will continue chipping cut vegetation into small wood chips and scattering them to lessen the potential for ignition along roads. As primary firelines continue to hold the main fire, crews are strengthening contingency lines to provide secondary reinforcements in the event of further fire growth.

**Weather:** Today's temperatures will be similar to yesterday. A low-pressure system from the west is expected to bring high clouds and a slight increase in wind speeds. High temperatures increase Wednesday and Thursday with the hottest temperatures of the year so far. Chances for showers and thunderstorms will increase Thursday through the weekend with the danger of strong gusty outflow winds near any storms.

**Smoke:** Smoke continues to impact surrounding communities. Smoke monitors have been installed in Coyote, Gallina, Cañones, the Monastery of Christ in the Desert, and the Abiquiu Dam. Smoke-sensitive individuals and people with respiratory problems or heart disease are encouraged to take precautions. A smoke outlook report for the Indios Fire is available online at the links below. View an interactive smoke map at <https://fire.airnow.gov/>. Learn more about smoke impacts at <https://www.env.nm.gov/air-quality/fire-smoke-links/>.

**Closures:** The Santa Fe National Forest has issued an emergency area closure for the Indios Fire. The full closure order (No. 03-12-05-23-22) and map are available on [Inciweb](#). **Camping and water will be available at the Coyote Ranger Station for Continental Divide Trail hikers impacted by this closure.**

**Safety:** A temporary flight restriction (TFR) is in place over the area, which includes uncrewed aircraft systems or drones. More information on the dangers drones pose to wildland firefighting aircraft and personnel on the ground can be found at:

<https://uas.nifc.gov/>.



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