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Forest Service News Release

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Blue Front Fire Update, November 7, 2024

Start Date: October 28, 2024

Cause: Unknown

Size: 323 acres

Containment: 90%

Location: 4 miles west of Alto, 9 miles northwest of Ruidoso, located in the Blue 2 wildfire footprint in the White Mountain Wilderness

Resources: One Type 6 USFS engine

Personnel: 7

Types of vegetation in the area (aka fuels): Grass, shrubs, dead/down fuel

Strategy: Full Suppression with direct and indirect tactics

Road Closures: None

Smoke: There is no smoke showing from the Blue Front Fire

Update: A USFS engine remains assigned to the fire and will assess the conditions on the ground. Their task is to detect remaining heat that could be caused by smoldering fuels. An approaching weather system is forecasted to bring in snow and rain. This moisture will minimize any observed fire behavior. These improving conditions have allowed for containment to be raised to 90%.

Weather permitting on Friday, an uncrewed aircraft (drone) will be utilized for an infrared flight and video footage of the fire area. Fire managers will be able to assess if there is remaining heat in and on the perimeter of the Blue Front Fire.

Weather: Weather forecast calls for colder temperatures accompanied by rain and snow throughout the day, which includes the general area of the Blue Front Fire.

More Information:

Blue Front Fire Information: 575-323-8990

Blue Front Fire E-mail: 2024.BlueFront@Firenet.gov

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61568076357114>

NM Fire Info: <https://nmfireinfo.com/>

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/nmlnf-blue-front-fire>

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