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NM Outdoor Recreation Division Announces Upcoming Clean-Up Effort in the Jemez Ranger District

SANTA FE, N.M. – The New Mexico Outdoor Recreation Division (ORD), a division of the N.M. Economic Development Department, is sponsoring a post-Labor Day clean-up effort in the Jemez Ranger District of the Santa Fe National Forest.

The effort will be led by ORD partner New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors, a 501(c)3 that has been organizing, managing, promoting, and recruiting volunteers to work on outdoor service projects throughout the state for nearly 40 years. ORD will support the clean-up by providing necessary supplies such as trash bags, safety vests, and work gloves to volunteers.

“Catalyzed in part by the Covid-19 pandemic, we’ve seen more people get outside,” ORD Director Axie Navas said. “While the ORD fundamentally supports this growth in access, we also believe in promoting responsible recreation and stewardship. That’s why we’re so glad to partner with New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors on this Jemez clean-up.”

The clean-up effort will focus along scenic FS Road 376 and the Rio Cebolla in the Jemez Ranger District, which is historically a high-use area over the holiday weekend. Volunteers will drive their vehicles and “leapfrog” each other, stopping at dispersed campsites and fishing spots along the route to remove litter.

The clean-up will be held on Saturday, September 11, from 8am-3pm. Please sign-up to volunteer no later than September 8.

More information and to sign-up: nmvfo.org/projects/cleanup-in-the-jemez/

For more information on future clean-up and volunteer opportunities be sure to sign-up for the ORD newsletter [here](#).

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