

Wildfire Information

EMNRD-FORESTRY DIVISION



Incident Name: Cooks Peak

Start Date & Time: 4/17/22 @ 1615

Start Location: Ocate off of HWY 120 Canada Bonita

Latitude: 36.24352

Longitude: -105.03793

Cause of Fire: Under investigation

Area Vegetation: Grass, pinon, juniper, ponderosa pine, and mixed conifer

Estimated Acres Burned: 300

Ownership(s): Private

Structures Threatened: Y

Structures Burned: N

Evacuations: Y

The Cooks Peak Fire is located on private land north of Ocate near the Mora and Colfax County lines. The fire is estimated at 300 acres and 0% contained. The Mora County Sheriff's Office has issued a precautionary evacuation order for Canada Bonita, Blatman Ranch, and one other residence. There is no immediate threat to these homes at this time. The Cooks Peak Fire was first reported at 4:15 p.m. Numerous resources from the Forestry Division and local volunteer fire departments from Mora, Chet, Ocate, Ojo Feliz, Rainsville, and SBR (Guadalupita) are on the scene. Fuels include grass, pinon, juniper, ponderosa pine, and mixed conifer. Winds are steady from the northwest at 20-30 miles per hour with gusts to 40 mph. Approximately 100 personnel are assigned to the fire and will work through the night on containment. The cause is under investigation. **This is an emerging incident. More information will be provided when it becomes available.**

Individuals sensitive to wildfire smoke should take precautions and use the New Mexico Department of Health 5-3-1 Visibility Method to determine if it's safe to be outside. Learn more at

<https://nmtracking.org/environment/air/FireAndSmoke.html>.

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