

## Wildfire Information

### EMNRD-FORESTRY DIVISION

**Incident Name: Sixty-Six Fire**

**Start Date & Time: 06/16/2022 1730**

**Start Location: Between I-40 and Route 66 in Carnuel, Bernalillo County**

**Latitude: 35.063900**

**Longitude: -106.45700**

**Cause of Fire: Under investigation**

**Area Vegetation: Bosque type fuels, grass, ponderosa**

**Estimated Acres Burned: 24**

**Ownership(s): Private**

**Structures Threatened: Y**

**Structures Burned: 1 home, 1 outbuilding damaged**

**Evacuations: No, lifted**



The Sixty-Six Fire, located on private land east of Albuquerque in Carnuel, is now estimated at 24 acres and 40% containment. The fire was first reported at 5:30 p.m. Thursday afternoon (06/16). Strong canyon winds fanned the fire, which then jumped I-40 and began burning on both sides of the interstate, forcing its closure for several hours. Residents were evacuated, but are now back in their homes. At least two structures sustained damage along with a power pole that connects a line that crosses over the interstate. PNM will be working on replacing/repairing the power pole today and intermittent closures of I-40 are possible. Today firefighters will continue to mop up hot spots and secure containment lines. The cause is under investigation. Resources with the Forestry Division, Bernalillo County, Albuquerque Fire Rescue, and the US Forest Service (USFS) are assigned to the fire.

**Smoke:** 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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