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Taos County Local Governments, KCEC and EC-Coad Continue to Collaborate on the Wildfire Evacuee Response

The Cooks Peak, Calf Canyon and Hermits Peak fires threaten northern NM. Fire crews continue to fight the fires to mitigate damage to those homes and areas affected. As evacuation levels continue to change, we want to ensure that we share the correct and accurate information on supplies and resources in Taos County. The Wildfires Evacuee Response team encourages evacuees to utilize correct details to get the proper help and supplies.

The Wildfire Evacuee Response has set up the following resources for those displaced by the wildfires in the area. We are working to maximize the support and aid efficiently to the needs of the communities. There is a lot of misinformation on social media outlets. Here is a list of available locations for Evacuee Resource Center in our surrounding area:

PLEASE NOTE: The Convention Center at 120 Civic Plaza Dr. in Taos is NOT currently operating as an Evacuee Resource Center. Please refer to one of the Evacuee Resource Center below.

Peñasco High School

Address: 13 Old School Rd, Peñasco, NM 87553
(575)-587-2502

Red River Convention Center

Address: 101 E River Street, Red River, NM 87558
(575)-754-1708

Taos County Sheriff's Posse Rodeo Grounds (No Hookups)

(For RV's and those with livestock) (meals will be delivered)

Address: 230 Camino de la Merced, Taos, NM 87571

For Livestock, please call Livestock Inspector: Ruben Baca (575)-770-1490

Juan I. Gonzales Taos County Agricultural Center

Address: 202 Chamisa Rd, Taos, NM 87571

(575)-770-6416

Accepting RV's :

Taos Mountain Bello RV Park (Fee Required)

Address: 24819 US-64, El Prado, NM 87529

4k RV Park (\$40.00 a night with 40 hookups available)

+1 (575) 754-2293

Address:1501 W Main St,Red River, NM 87556

Red River RV Park (No cost night with 35 hookups available)

Address: Red River RV Park, 100 High-Cost Trail, Red River, NM 87558

Other Services Include:

Taos Youth & Family Center: (Mon- Fri access to showers only) (No Shelters or Supplies Located At This Location)

6:00 am-6:00 pm

407 Paseo del Canon East Taos, NM 8757

Residents are encouraged to utilize the Peñasco shelter as the first option to ensure staffing and resources are used efficiently and reduce mirroring efforts. Please sign up up with a resource officer when entering the Evacuee Resource Center. The Juan I Gonzales Agricultural Center is available as a back-up/overflow location. Water, power, and supplies are available at the shelter sites. Wi-fi is also accessible at some locations.

UNM-Taos (No Shelters or Supplies Located At This Location)

Students

If you are a student from any NM school who has been displaced by the fires, UNM-Taos facilities are available for computer use, study spaces, library resources, etc.

1157 County Road 110, Ranchos de Taos or 115 Civic Plaza Drive, Taos.

Please note: No Shelters or Supplies Located At This Location

575-737-6215 / taos@unm.edu

Fire Resources

For updated fire information, please visit nmfireinfo.com.

Carson National Forest updates available at <https://www.facebook.com/santafeNF>
To report damage, call the state fire hotline at 1-800-432-2280, select option number 4 or you can go to nmdhsem.org. Click on the link to report fire damage.

Volunteer & Donation Resources

Taos Connects: <https://app.vomo.org/org/taos-connects>.

Volunteer Sign Up Contact : Tony Struck 575-613-0274

Monetary Donations: Fund for Taos – **for disaster relief** <https://www.taoscf.org/>

Mora Residents Donation: Las Vegas Community Foundation <https://fundly.com/calf-canyon-hermits-peak-fire-relief-efforts>

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The Taos County Juan I. Gonzales Agricultural Center and Peñasco High School are still available to assist those with shelter, resources, and supply needs. More evacuees require shelter and assistance as the fires continue to grow. Water, power, and supplies are available at the Evacuee Resource Center sites. Wi-fi is also accessible at some locations. The Taos Rodeo grounds accept RV's and those with livestock (has no hookups for RV's). Shelter, supplies, feed and water are available for livestock. For those with RV's not going to the rodeo grounds, please call-in advance to ensure adequate parking is available at other shelter locations.

Once hotels and RV parks run out of space, we encourage evacuees to use our resources for supplies and shelter. We encourage community members and businesses to donate to funds and initiatives already in place. It can be challenging for short-staffed volunteers to sort out donations in a time of crisis. Please consider a monetary donation to your local food shelter or community foundation. We will provide updates and resource information as they become available. Please ensure Taos local governments, KCEC and the EC-COAD utilize the necessary staff and support to help our communities. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Michael Santistevan.