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## Wildfire Notification #21

Good afternoon,

The New Mexico Forestry Division would like to update you on a wildfire that is requiring the attention of local, state, and federal resources in New Mexico. This will be the final update unless there are significant changes.

**Situation**: The Alien Fire has burned 27 acres and is 75% contained. The cause of the fire is under investigation. With no visible smoke or heat in the interior, some resources were released yesterday and today. Suppression repair continues on the dozer lines that were cut, and crews will continue to monitor the area. This will be the final notification on this fire unless there are significant changes. The Alien Fire was discovered on September 22 at 2:30 p.m. and is located on the Creston Ridge just west of Las Vegas.

**Evacuations:** Evacuations have been lifted and there are no structures threatened.

**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 <a href="https://nmtracking.doh.nm.gov/environment/air/FireAndSmoke.html">https://nmtracking.doh.nm.gov/environment/air/FireAndSmoke.html</a>. An interactive smoke map at <a href="https://fire.airnow.gov/allows">https://fire.airnow.gov/allows</a> you to zoom into your area to see the latest smoke conditions.

Internet/ Social Media: The public can continue to follow fires in New Mexico on InciWeb, New Mexico Fire Information and New Mexico Forestry Division's X account (formerly Twitter) and Facebook. Fires can also be viewed through the New Mexico Forest & Watershed Institute's Fire Viewer.