

NMAA Disaster Assistance Checklist for Acequias



1) All Acequias and Parciantes are strongly encouraged to sign up for EWPP

- a) The Emergency Watershed Protection Program, administered by NRCS - Natural Resource Conservation Service through a local sponsor, offers assistance to relieve imminent loss of life and damage to property risks: **THE COST SHARE REQUIREMENT FOR THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN WAIVED 100%**
- b) Apps for CowCalf/Hermits Peak Fire **DUE JULY 1st**
- c) See attached app, complete for the acequia, and encourage parciantes to apply individually as well. Once apps are received, NRCS will complete a site visit of the property and determine if it is eligible for mitigation strategies.

2) Each Acequia will designate 1 contact to receive weather and flood alerts

- a) Share contacts's name, email and phone number with Chavela Trujillo

3) Legal Assistance Hotline:

- a) **Call toll free 888-985-5141**
- b) Hotline is staffed Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. MST. If phone is busy or unanswered, please leave a voicemail and the best way to reach you. They will return your call within 1-2 business days.
- c) Individuals who qualify for assistance will be matched with New Mexico lawyers to provide free, limited legal help. Hotline is primarily for survivors/victims from Colfax, Lincoln, Mora, San Miguel, Valencia counties.
 - i) Assistance with securing FEMA and other benefits available to disaster survivors, **including FEMA appeals**
 - ii) Assistance with life, medical, and property insurance claims
 - iii) Help with home repair contracts and contractors
 - iv) Replacement of important legal documents destroyed in the disaster
 - v) Assistance with consumer protection matters, remedies, and procedures
 - vi) Counseling on landlord/tenant and mortgage/foreclosure problems

4) USACE Private Landowners Sandbags Program:

Sandbag Distribution Locations:

- Pecos Village Hall, located at 92 South Main St
- Cabo Lucero Volunteer Fire Department - 21 County Rd A29
- Sapello-Rociada Volunteer Fire Department - 649 State Route 94 (N.M. 94)
- La Placita Volunteer Fire Department - 242 State Route 65 (N.M. 65)
- San Geronimo Volunteer Fire Department - County Road A19A (CR A19A)
- San Miguel County Public Works - 10 Airport Road

- 5) All Parciantes: **Sign up for Flood insurance:** <https://www.floodsmart.gov/> or 1-800-621-3362 or 877-336-2627.
- 6) **Debris Removal:** To enroll in the Full Service Program, submit a Right of Entry Permit to your county government. Permits and submittal instructions are available at:
www.nmdhsem.org/2022-wildfires/
- 7) Request for **Fire Suppression Repair** - to address dozer lines and other Forest Service actions:
https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=4F2CSwVwPUuaFHhBHYhmA2I9bgU9SYJDuxGd73bn8FUNIJGVkFPM1FWSjJQVIU4RTQ5WDFHUVICRyQIQCN0PWcu&fbclid=IwAR2H892naeeFgbaJmM13hXOoSh-UKqyquLAEDoh_nZxfvfgpEhhOjXzzU94
- 8) All parciantes engaged in agriculture or with Forested property should **register with the FSA - Farm Service Agency** to be eligible for various programs including reseeded, reimbursement for hauling water and the cost of feed, loss of livestock due to the disaster or drought.
- Contact chavela@lasacequias.org or 505-995-9644
 - Or reach out to your local FSA Office in Las Vegas (505) 425-3594 ext 4
- 9) **Have an evacuation plan & stay aware of the weather**
- Sample Communications Plan: <https://app.box.com/s/9whinkg3y5jngen6zpk34bz7uoretxe>
 - Flood Safety Checklist/Preparedness Plan:
https://www.redcross.org/content/dam/redcross/atg/PDF_s/Preparedness___Disaster_Recovery/Disaster_Preparedness/Flood/Flood.pdf
- 10) **Stay aware of the weather:**
Ways to receive NWS alerts are:
- Wireless emergency alerts and weather apps:
 - USGS Water email alerts sign up: <https://maps.waterdata.usgs.gov/mapper/wateralert/>
On the left side of the screen, click on the gauge nearest you and select "Subscribe to WaterAlert"
 - FEMA and NWS alerts app: <https://www.ready.gov/fema-app-toolkit>
 - You can also download the app via text messaging on an Apple Device: Text **APPLE** to **43362** (4FEMA)
 - You can also download the app via text messaging on an Android device: Text **ANDROID** to **43362** (4FEMA)
 - Social media:
 - <https://www.facebook.com/NWSAlbuquerque>
 - <https://www.facebook.com/CalfCanyonHermitsPeak>
- 11) **For additional resources:**
- See the NMAA Facebook, eblast and blog
 - <https://nmfireinfo.com/information/after-a-wildfire/>

**For additional questions contact NMAA at 505-995-9644 or
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