



# New Mexico Wildland Urban Fire Summit

*Strengthening Partnerships through  
Diverse Perspectives – Taking Action in the WUI*

Sagebrush Inn, Taos, NM  
October 8-10, 2024

## Tuesday, October 8, 2024

1:00 PM	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Teresa Rigby, BLM &amp; Bob Romero, Taos County Commission Chair Special guest - Laura McCarthy, NM State Forester</i>
1:30 PM	<b>Opening Speaker</b> <i>Lindsey Quam, NM Deputy State Forester &amp; Tribal Liaison</i>
2:00 PM	<b>Insurance: Wildfire Risk &amp; Mitigation</b> <i>Melissa Robertson, OSI</i>
3:00 PM	<b>Home Hardening: The Role of Building Materials in Wildfire Mitigation</b> <i>Evan Sluder, IBHS (virtual)</i>
4:00 PM	<b>Policy Update</b> <i>Laura McCarthy, NM State Forester</i>
4:30 - 5:00 PM	<b>NM Home Builders Association: Wildfire Informed Building</b> <i>Miles Conway, NMHBA</i>

## Wednesday, October 9, 2024

8:00 AM	<i>Breakfast Provided</i>
9:00 AM	<b>Regional Focus – Enchanted Circle</b> <i>J.R Logan, Taos County; Del Romero, Taos Pueblo Fire &amp; Fuel; Vicente Fernandez, Taos-Acequia del Norte de Cañon; Elizabeth Robinson, Carson National Forest</i>
10:00 AM	<b>FIELD TRIP: Taos Canyon/Valle Escondido</b>
12:00 PM	<i>Lunch Provided</i>
12:30 PM	<b>Funding Streams/Keys to Success</b> <i>Jacob Pederson, NM Forestry Division</i>
1:00 PM	<b>Wildfire Challenges – Electric Representatives Panel</b> <i>Moderator: Teresa Rigby; John Hansen, Tri-State Electric, Charise Swanson NM Rural Electric Cooperatives</i>
2:00 PM	<b>Emergency Communication during the Hermit Peak Calf Canyon, Salt &amp; South Fork Fires</b> <i>Wynn Brannin, DHSEM</i>
2:45 PM	<b>Communications – Human &amp; Agency Perspective, Salt &amp; South Fork Fires</b> <i>Moderator: George Ducker, NM Forestry Division; Kerry Gladden, The Agency; Eric Queller, EM Village of Ruidoso</i>
3:30 PM	<b>Impact of the Ruidoso Mitigation Measures on the Behavior of the South Fork Fires</b> <i>Dick Cooke, Director of Forestry, Village of Ruidoso</i>
4:00 - 5:00 PM	<b>Perspectives</b> <i>William deBuys, Author &amp; Craig Allen, UNM</i>

## Thursday, October 10, 2024

8:00 AM	<i>Breakfast Provided</i>
8:30 AM	<b>2024 Ruidoso Fires – Recovery Challenges &amp; Lessons</b> <i>Laura Doth, Executive Director SCM RC&amp;D Council; Randall Camp, Lincoln County Manager; David Griego, NRCS</i>
9:30 AM	<b>Acequia Disaster Recovery</b> <i>Paula Garcia, Executive Director NM Acequia Association</i>
10:15 AM	<b>ArcGIS HUB as a Community Support Tool for Post Fire and Flood Events</b> <i>Dana Heusinkveld &amp; Elizabeth Becker, NMFWR</i>
10:30 AM	<b>HPCC Fire – Long Road to Recovery Panel</b> <i>Moderator: Alejandro Collins, NMFWR; Kathryn Mahan, NMFWR; Janna Lopez, Neighbors Helping Neighbors; Janice Varela, NM Forestry Division; Yolanda Cruz, Private Citizen</i>
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>Wrap Up Conversations</b>

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