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Governor Bill Richardson Orders Activation of State Emergency Operation Center

EOC Monitoring Trigo Fire and Statewide Fire Conditions

SANTA FE - Governor Bill Richardson today ordered the activation of the New Mexico State Emergency Operation Center (EOC) to monitor the Trigo Fire burning in Torrance County and dangerous fire conditions around the state.

“I’ve ordered the EOC to stay on top of the Trigo Fire, continually gathering the latest on the changing conditions on the fire lines and to offer whatever assistance is necessary to help the affected communities,” Governor Richardson said.

“In addition to our work at the EOC, we are also at the fire command post ready and willing to assist in any way possible,” Tim Manning, Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, said. “We are also coordinating whatever federal response is necessary.”

State Forestry, State Police, the Livestock Board, and the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department are also assisting on the scene of the Trigo Fire. Governor Richardson has directed all other state agencies to be ready to assist in whatever way possible.

Governor Richardson this afternoon received a briefing from federal, state and local fire officials coordinating efforts to fight the Trigo Fire.

“It’s clear we are going to have a rough couple of days with the wind preventing us from using our firefighting resources to their full measure,” added the Governor. “I am confident the crews will do their best to protect people and property and they have our full support.”

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