



# County of Lincoln

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## **LOCAL/FULL-TIME RESIDENTS ONLY**

Second homeowners and tourists are asked to refrain from coming to the Lincoln County areas affected by the South Fork Fire and Salt Fire, until further notice.

**As of 5:00 PM on Saturday, June 22, 2024, the following areas will have their evacuation status lifted and residents will be able to return to the area:**

### **Must Access Subdivisions Through US HWY 380**

Ranches of Sonterra 1, 2 and 3  
Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates  
Enchanted Forest

**As of 8:00 AM on Sunday, June 23, 2024, the following areas will have their evacuation status lifted and residents will be able to return to the area:**

Sierra Vista  
Sun Valley  
Villa Madonna

**UPDATE: As of 8:00 AM on Monday, June 24, 2024, the following areas will have their evacuation status lifted and residents will be able to return to the area:**

Ruidoso Downs  
Ruidoso Downs to El Valle Loop

**Any subdivisions that are in the exclusion areas are still evacuated. Those areas are as follows:**

High Mesa Subdivision  
Lakeside Estates Subdivision  
Cedar Creek Subdivision  
Alpine Village Subdivision  
Musketball Court  
Eagle Creek Acres  
Ski Run Road  
Barney Luck Subdivision  
Gavilan West  
Allan P. Aschoff Subdivision  
And any other areas that were affected by the fire.

### **WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU RETURN:**

\* Be prepared for the possibility that your home may be without gas, electricity, and water.

\*Grocery stores, if accessible, will be dry goods only and may accept only one form of payment (either cash or debit/credit card)

\*Gas station access will be limited. Gasoline and diesel may not be available.

\*Internet service and cell service may not be restored for weeks/months.

\*911 services may not be available.

\*Access to Ruidoso may be limited or not available presently.

\*Childcare services are currently unavailable

\*The air quality may be poor due to ash and smoke, which can be problematic for individuals with breathing issues, including asthma or COPD.

\*Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) is working to resume full services on Monday except for OBGYN.

\*Businesses may remain closed.

\*Expect high traffic of recovery crews and emergency vehicles. Please proceed with caution in the entire area.

### **PREPARATION:**

\*Bring at least one week's worth of groceries and water, as grocery deliveries have not been made in a week.

\*Ensure you have any necessary medications and supplies for your family and pets as veterinarian clinics and pharmacies may not be accessible and may not be stocked.

### **ACCESS TO BURNED AREAS WILL BE RESTRICTED/UNACCESSIBLE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

If you do not have funds, please go to the Inn of the Mountain Gods to pick up needed items.