

New Mexico Wildfires Report #20

August 30, 2022

INCIDENT OVERVIEW

- Due to wildfires throughout the State, including a number over 1,000 acres, the State of New Mexico made a Disaster Declaration on May 3, 2022. The President subsequently approved a federal disaster declaration on May 4, 2022, to provide federal funding to State and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations. The declaration covers the counties of Colfax, Lincoln, Mora, San Miguel, and Valencia.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- All EPA collection Phase 1 activities will be completed on August 31, 2022.
- All response actions are scheduled to be completed by September 27, 2022, to include transportation and disposal of waste and close out of the collection pad.

SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS

- On August 29, 2022, EPA received the last ROEs from the counties. EPA has three total ROEs to be completed for Phase 1 assessment and collection. On August 31, 2022, EPA will transition all Phase 1 assessment and collection activities to USACE. Site demobilization will occur on September 1, 2022, to include demobilization of the mobile command post and securing waste for transportation and disposal (T&D). The date for T&D has not been set, but the latest date for T&D is September 21, 2022. Waste will be secured until T&D occurs. Once the T&D has been completed, the collection pad will be closed out.
- The EPA will request through NMED to extend the Direct Federal Assistance (DFA) Mission Assignment-04 (MA-04) through October 4, 2022, to allow for administrative closeout in FY23, including but not limited to, the production of a final report and invoices.

COORDINATION WITH STATE AND OTHER PARTNERING AGENCIES

- EPA is coordinating with NMED and FEMA to extend MA-04 to allow for administrative close out in FY23.

EPA RESOURCES

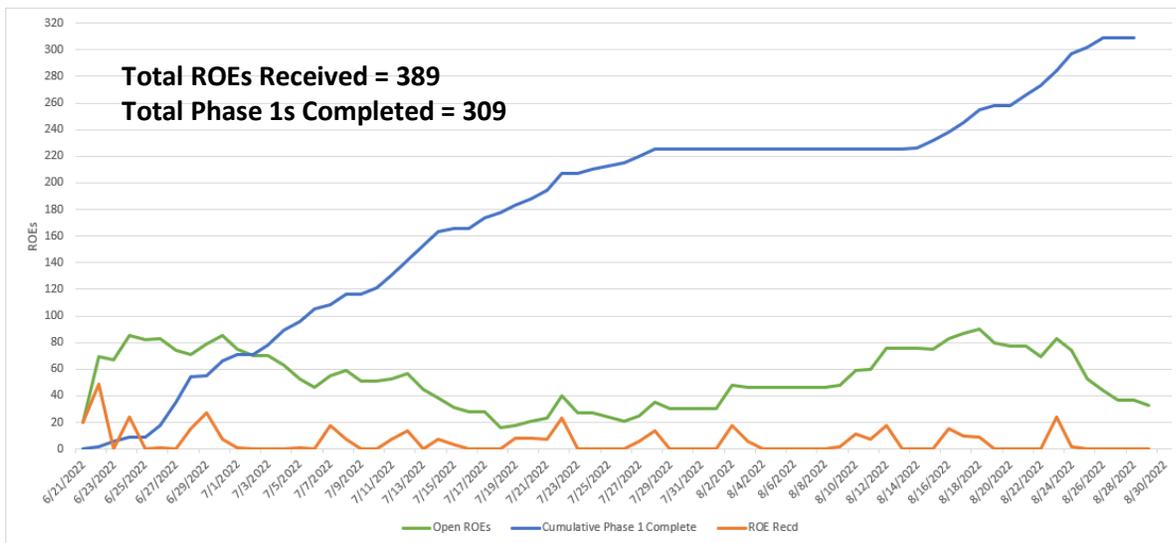
EPA Resources (As of August 29, 2022)					
Agency	Remote IMT	REOC	JFO (virtual)	IMT	TOTAL
EPA	3	12	1	3	19
NMED	1	0	0	0	1
START	2	0	0	6	8
ERRS	2	0	0	7	9
Total	8	12	1	16	37

OPERATIONS

HHW and Bulk Asbestos Task Force (ESF-10)

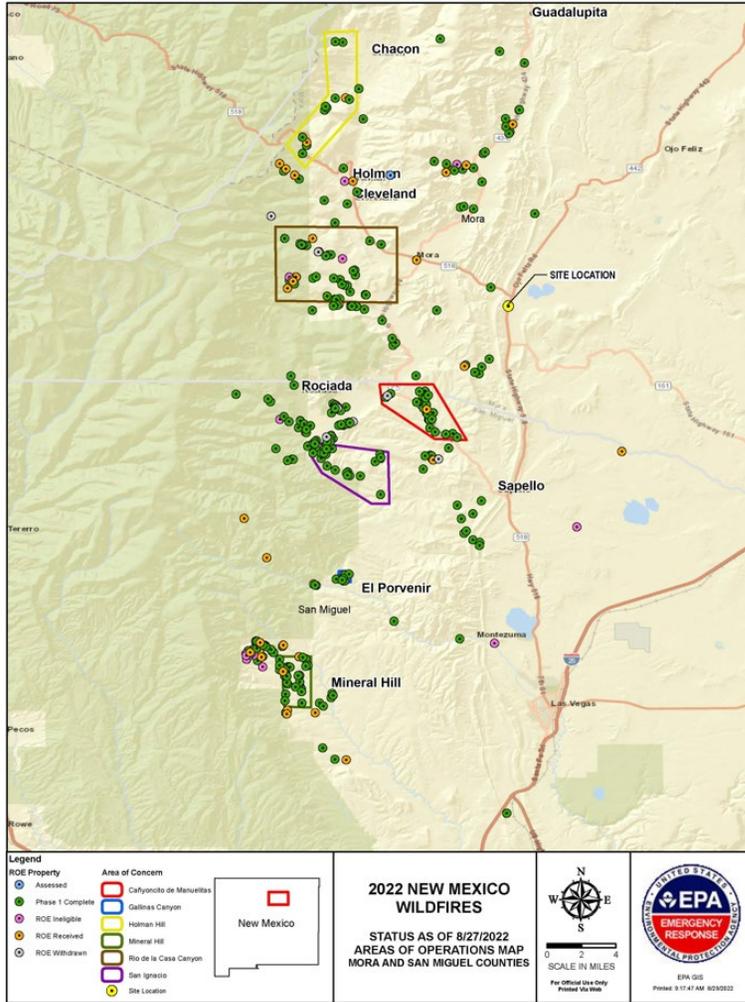
On August 27, 2022, the EPA Collections Task Force completed Phase 1's at 7 properties in San Miguel County. Safety continues to be an issue with increased rain and flooding.

PROGRESS METRICS FOR 2022 NEW MEXICO WILDFIRE HHW COLLECTION						
Current ROE Status	Mora		San Miguel		Total	
	August 29	Total	August 29	Total	August 29	All
ROE Received	0	136	0	253	0	389
ROE Withdrawn and Opt-Outs	0	7	0	9	0	16
ROE Ineligible*	0	4	0	12	0	16
Unable to Access	0	8	0	7	0	15
Phase 1 Complete	0	100	0	209	7	309
Remaining ROEs	---	17	---	16	---	33



MAP 1 – AREAS OF OPERATIONS MAP

PICTURES



Picture 1: Impacted Property – August 24, 2022.