



STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Proclamation

WHEREAS, warmer, drier conditions, and overgrown forests increase the frequency and severity of wildfire impacts upon property, infrastructure, watersheds, and other natural resources; and

WHEREAS, large and destructive wildfires pose a significant threat to residents, visitors, and firefighters in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the financial and psychological costs of wildfire are borne both by citizens and the wildland firefighters who seek to quell these dangerous fire hazards; and

WHEREAS, New Mexicans in communities with high-fire hazard are at risk, and have a responsibility to reduce flammable material around their homes and communities before a fire occurs; and

WHEREAS, forest thinning and management, along with the safe and effective use of prescribed fire, are essential tools for reducing wildfire risk and creating resilient, fire-adapted landscapes; and

WHEREAS, local, state, federal, and tribal agencies in new Mexico are working together across boundaries and in partnership with communities to actively reduce the effects of natural and human-caused wildfires; and

WHEREAS, eighty percent of wildfires in New Mexico are human-caused and are therefore preventable.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim March 30 - April 5, 2025, as:

“Wildfire Awareness Week”

Attest:

Maggie Toulouse Oliver
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Secretary of State

Done at the Executive Office this
25th day of February 2025.

Witness my hand and the Great
Seal of the State of New Mexico.

Michelle Lujan Grisham
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Governor

