

BFFD Spring Fire Prevention Information 2026

Protecting your property

Here are some things you can do to make your home more resistant to flames or flying embers from a fire.

- Trim branches that hang over your house
- Keep grass and weeds cut short
- Clear vegetation near the base of your home
- Clean out gutters, clear flat roofs and other places where leaves could collect
- Close small openings where embers could be blown beneath stairs, deck or structure
- Store firewood away from structures and equipment
- Make sure your house numbers are visible in case of emergency



Dangerous weather conditions can cause fire whirls to form. Like tornadoes, fire whirls vary in size – from less than one foot in diameter to several dozen feet wide.

Red Flag Warnings

You may hear on a radio or television that a Red Flag Warning has been issued. This occurs when the National Weather Service believes that there is a dangerous combination of high temperatures, low humidity and windy conditions that could cause fires to spread rapidly. On these days avoid burning and any outdoor activities that could create sparks. Remember to call before you burn to see if it is OK to burn.



Where to get information

At these websites you can read, download or print each publication.

- 1 <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/SFD/documents/RSGActionGuideNM.pdf>
- 2 http://nmfireinfo.files.wordpress.com/2009/06/60589_jes.pdf
- 3 http://apnm.org/news/2013/Wildfire_Tab_2013.pdf

Open burning rules

All areas of Valencia County have the following burn hours:

One hour after sunrise to one hour before sunset

What you can burn

Brush
Leaves
Weeds
Crop waste
Grass clippings
Untreated wood

NO BURN BARRELS



NOTRASH BURNING

You must stay with your burn and make sure it is completely out before you leave.

If you are having trouble controlling your burn, call 911.



When you can burn

From 1 hour after sunrise to 1 hour before sunset



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What you need to do

You must call to find out if burning is allowed for the day you want to burn.

If you live in unincorporated areas of Valencia County, Cities of Belen, Los Lunas, Rio Communities, Bosque Farms, and Peralta, you must call (505)500-8679 each day you want you want to burn.

If you live in Belen: You must get a written burn permit from your fire department. It is good for 30 days. Each day you want to burn, you must call (505)500-8679

You can also check the Burn/NO Burn notification on the Valencia County Website and The Valencia County FD FB page.

Burn Line: (505)500-8679
Call to see if it is a Burn or NO Burn Day.

Remember to call before you burn

Additional information about fire safety can be found on our Facebook page
Bosque Farms Volunteer Fire Department