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Wildland Fire Leadership Development Program

Cerro Grande Fire / Upper Frijoles Rx Burn – Travel Directions

The Cerro Grande / Upper Frijoles Rx Staff Ride site is located on Bandelier National Monument, adjacent to State Highway 4 between Los Alamos and Jemez Springs, New Mexico.

The closest lodging and accommodations are in Los Alamos, New Mexico.

Directions from Albuquerque (via Santa Fe) to Los Alamos:

From Albuquerque – take I-25 north towards Santa Fe (approximately 48 miles) – take the Santa Fe bypass Highway 599 (Veteran's Memorial Highway) and continue north to intersect Highway 285/84 toward Espanola/Taos - At Pojoaque (approximately 23 miles) take Highway 502 west to Los Alamos (approximately 15 miles). Best Western Hilltop House is located at 400 Trinity Drive at Central.

** Highway 599 is recommended to bypass Santa Fe and avoid traffic. As an alternate route, you can take Highway 285/84 which is east of the Highway 599 exit on I-25 and travel through Santa Fe proper and intersect the Veterans Memorial Highway north of town and continue north on Highway 84.

To Frijoles Canyon Recreation Area parking:

From Los Alamos – take State Highway 4 west approximately 12 miles to Frijoles Canyon Recreation Area pull-out.

The Staff Ride requires hiking in steep and uneven terrain. The hike will take approximately 6 hours.

From Frijoles Canyon Recreation Area parking (via Jemez Springs) to Albuquerque:

Continue west on Highway 4/126 to Jemez Springs (approximately 34 miles) and continue southwest to Highway 550 at San Ysidro (approximately 22 miles). Take Highway 550 south to Bernalillo (approximately 20 miles) and continue to I-25 and take I-25 south to Albuquerque (approximately 25 miles).