



Carlsbad Caverns Wildland Fire Fact Sheet

Managed by New Mexico Southwest Type II Incident Management Team (Cowie IC)

Updated Date: 5/27/10 Time: 8:00am

Acreage: Yucca Fire- **450** New Fire- **17,235**

Containment: Yucca Fire – inactive New Fire- **50%** contained

Agencies involved: NPS, USFS, BLM, BIA, New Mexico State Forestry, Eddy County Fire Service/Emergency Management, Joel VFD, Lincoln County VFD, La Huerta VFD, Happy Valley VFD, James Canyon VFD, Oro Vista VFD, Boles Acres VFD, Alamo West VFD

Start Date: 5/16/10 by afternoon lightning strikes

Current Threats: possible damage to threatened and endangered plants and Mexican spotted owl

Evacuations: None currently

Structures Damaged or destroyed: None

Estimated Costs to Date: **\$2,792,237**

Injuries or Fatalities: three minor injuries

Resources assigned to the fire: **399** Total personnel

- 9 Hand Crews

- 142 Overhead personnel

- 4 Helicopters

- 15 Watertenders

- 9 Engines

Park Status: Carlsbad Caverns main cave remains open for visitors. ALL back country hiking trails, including Yucca Canyon Trail, Slaughter Canyon Trail, and the Rattlesnake Canyon Trail remain closed for public safety due to fire activity. Sitting Bull Falls day use area is open.

For More Information Contact Fire Information Office 801-928-7040, 575-644-9678 or visit www.inciweb.org