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Small Fire Detected in the Sandia Mountains

Tijeras, NM – May 2, 2013. 10:15 a.m. A small wildfire has been detected in the Sandia Mountains. The Piedra Fire is approximately 5-6 acres in size and located four miles E/SE of Bernalillo, NM. The fire is burning in ponderosa pine and fir.

Crews are responding. The Cibola's helicopter is on scene and making bucket drops. Hotshot crews from Santa Fe and Carson are en route. A Type I helicopter, two air tankers and two air support modules have been ordered.

Additional assistance is being provided by the Sandoval County Sheriff's Department. To protect the public, the Loop Road is closed.

Updates will be posted on the Cibola's web page: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/cibola/>

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