

New Mexico 2021 SAR Missions

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Missions are listed in mission number order (Date-District-Mission)

Mission #	Open Date	Closing Date	Field Coordinators	Teams Responded	Coordinates	Incident Summary	Total Personnel	Total Vol Manhours
SAR22000001	1/1/2022	01-Jan-22	Spenser Moreland	AMRC, CISAR, AFSAR, SFSAR	Tower 2, Sandia Peak Tramway	Tram experienced mechanical issues due to weather while car full of employees was being brought down at the end of the night. Tram car with 21 employees was parked at tower 2. SAR team hiked up to tower 2 to deliver supplies. Once weather cleared, employees were lowered from tram to ground, hiked to nearby landing zone, and flown by helicopter down to tram terminal parking lot. Later, other tram car with single employee was slowly moved down to tower 2 and process was repeated.	28	234
SAR22000002	1/3/2022	03-Jan-22	Wes Crownover	None	Elena Gallegos open space	Call from APD Open Space to assist in search for 20yo male that walked away from church group on a hike. Subject was located by APD Air 1 and walked out by APD before any SAR team deployed	1	2
SAR22000003	1/5/2022	05-Jan-22	Nate Lay	PHISAR		31 year old autistic female who went for a walk on families property and was overdue to return. Family and NMSP officers performed initial search and found subject before the SAR resources arrived.	8	16
SAR22000004	1/8/2022	09-Jan-22	Wes Crownover	AMRC, CISAR	135371362ME 3894001mN	28yo and 41yo females hiked up Pino trail from Elena Gallegos and headed north on Crest Trail to Tram. Hikers became lost in dark and encountered snow without proper clothes or light. Subject were located within 3m of cell coordinates. SAR walked subjects out.	21	94
SAR22000005	1/15/2022	15-Jan-22	Peter Dickson	Santa Fe Ski Patrol	North Tesuque Creek @ 35.780880, -105.798960	Subject skied out of bounds from SF Ski Area, and got into difficult terrain. SF Ski Patrol responded and assisted the subject out to Aspen Vista TH.	7	0
SAR22000010	1/22/2022	22-Jan-22	Spenser Moreland	SSAR, AMRC, CISAR	Ladron Peak	Subject fell while hiking on Ladron Peak, injuring her ankle. Socorro SO/FD requested ABLE 7 support to rescue hiker. Socorro deputy and firefighter hiked up to subject and confirmed she was unable to walk. ABLE 7 conducted hoist rescue from Ladron Peak and transferred patient to Socorro Fire ambulance for further care. No SAR resources deployed into field.	8	3
SAR22000011	1/30/2022	30-Jan-22	Andrea Imler	GCSAR, OMTS, MVSAR, DACSAR	135 0250767 3558091	Hiker with group fell on loose rocks and broke his wrist, was very dizzy when he tried to stand up. Subject was unable to be walked out by members of their hiking group.	28	66
SAR22000012	2/1/2022	01-Feb-22	Bill Dyea	CISAR, AMRC, BCFD, APD	135 368155E 3897360N Upper La Luz Trail	Was notified by DS that BCFD Batt 7 requesting assistance from NMSAR to help two stranded hikers on the upper La Luz trail. Batt 7 gave me the location of the subjects according to phase II cell data. Before heading to IB Batt 7 had Metro 1 verify the location of the subjects on the La Luz trail. I arrived to IB and met with BCFD. He sent APD open space to make contact with the subjects. SAR team 1 was deployed with warm clothing, food, traction devices for the subject. Team 2 & 3 were deployed to clear trail and set up safety lines. Contact was made with the subjects, they were warmed up and given water and food, traction devices and hiking poles. They were escorted to IB by team one. Once back to IB they were both given a medical evaluation and released. All teams were debriefed and signed out. IB was closed at 2145. Mission number SAR22000012 was closed at 2330. Called by BCFD for NMSAR to assist in rescue in a motor vehicle accident over the side of a steep embankment. There is believed to be a survivor still in the vehicle. Called DS dispatch for mission number SAR22000013.	28	40
SAR22000013	2/2/2022	02-Feb-22	Bill Dyea	AMRC	Highway 563 Between mile marker 4 & 5 (Crest Road)	Called AC Baker to let him know what was going on. Called ORDM to request resources for the rescue, AMRC low angle tech. Received a call from BCFD, they told me they are going try to get someone down to the wreckage to check on condition of the trapped survivor, he said he'll call back with the status as soon as they get to the subject. Conferred with AC, concerning the weather and icy roads. BCFD notified me that the second subject in the vehicle is deceased. I told BCFD that I was going to stand down our rescue team because of the ongoing snowstorm and icy roads. He agreed with the stand down. BCFD was going to attempt the extraction the following day when the weather conditions ease up. I called ORDM to stand down the responding team.	0	0
SAR22000014	2/3/2022	03-Feb-22	Al Webster	SFSAR	Subject, if any, not located	AFRCC contacted NMSAR to report PLB transmitting at Las Campanas in Santa Fe. NMSP responded to initial coordinates as did NMSAR and Las Campanas security - initial site was searched on foot. AFRCC determined another site was more accurate - IB changed to that site and an ELT and foot search was effected - results negative - no PLB, no footprints in the snow, clues or subject were located. Mission suspended.	8	30
SAR22000016	2/22/2022	22-Feb-22	Peter Dickson	Santa Fe Ski Patrol	35.77976, -105.79455	Subject skied out of bounds from SF Ski Area and got into difficulties. SF Ski Patrol responded and escorted the subject out.	5	0
SAR22000017	2/25/2022	26-Feb-22	Matt Holmes	LAAFB, MC2, PK9, SFSAR, TSAR, RACoEM, SSD, SdCDN, DPS Fleet	135 0394086E 3994632N	Subject reported missing evening 2/21, last seen morning 2/21. Vehicle found by DPS 2/24, crashed at 135 0390913E 3993650N. SAR resources mobilized 2/25 mid-day. First OP suspended at dark. Second OP started 0800 2/26. Subject found deceased at 1336 at 135 0394086E 3994632N. DPS contacted 1337, arrived 1415, conveyed to site of deceased subject (vehicle access possible). Handed off to DPS at 1500.	62	472
SAR22000018	2/26/2022	26-Feb-22	Russ Imler	GCSAR	125 0740732 3606048	Subject hiking the CDT became fatigued, ran out of food and water and could not evacuate from the trail. Subject called 911 and requested rescue.	14	39
SAR22000019	2/26/2022	26-Feb-22	Spenser Moreland	AMRC, APD Open Space	La Luz Spur Trail	Subjects became stuck on upper La Luz Spur trail near the tram due to trail conditions. They were several hours overdue from meeting hiking companions, who called 911 for them. SAR teams rode the tram up, hiked down trail, warmed them up, and assisted them in hiking to the tram. Subjects assessed and released by BCFD personnel.	8	12
SAR22000020	3/7/2022	07-Mar-22	Bill Dyea		French Mesa Area (Approx. 135 0339357E 4015391N)	Called by DS concerning 2 overdue subjects and location of the search area. It appears the search and is in DS. I asked if a MI was available to gather more information in the situation. There was no NMSP officer on duty for the area so they will pass the requests to the on duty Sgt. (I'll want to hear from him for subject info, road condition, and weather conditions) I called the mother of the overdue subjects, she gave me the area where they were going to drive/hike. She also didn't know if they had food and water of what type of clothing they were equipped with. I tried calling the subject, but the phone went directly to voicemail. The subjects mother told me that her husband was out looking for the overdue subjects and that they will call me if they located them. She also said the roads were snowpacked with fresh snow. I called the AC on duty (Levesque) to let him be aware of the current situation, after discussion it was decided to wait to hear from the mother and NMSP MI for new information. If we haven't heard anything by morning we'll activate the necessary resources to conduct search and rescue operations of the overdue subjects. At 0340 the subjects mother called me and let me know they had found the overdue subjects and everyone is home & safe.	0	0
SAR22000021	3/10/2022	11-Mar-22	Bill Dyea	CISAR, AMRC, APD Open Space, BCFD, BCSO		Called by BCFD for NMSAR to assist in locating a paraglider reportedly that went down in the Three Gun Springs / Hawk Watch area. Before NMSAR reported on scene BCFD had Metro 1 search the area. Metro 1 located a debris field believed to be the glider. BCFD had sent APD open space to the location of the debris and when NMSAR sent an additional 4 ground teams to search the area. After a few hours of ground searching the weather began to deteriorate, it was snowing and the field teams had poor visibility and slippery rocky trails and off trails. The IMT discussed the options and decided to have the teams return to IB. All teams safely returned to IB, debriefed and signed out. End of OP period 1. Op period 2. Reported to IB at 1300 hours, at 1330 I met with the reporting party (RP), BCFD, AMRC, the RP described to us that she seen a parachute come down hard near the upper Hawk Watch trail. She pointed to the exact location. We recorded a compass bearing and estimated the distance to where the parachute came down. BCFD had Metro 1 fly over the suspected area and we had 1 hasty team (T6) go up and search the upper Hawk Watch area. Both Metro 1 and the ground team hadn't found any clues of a downed parachute. Metro searched the area for about 30 mins and left the area, team 6 RTB about 1630. Mission SAR22000021 is closed after discussion with the AC and RD.	47	178
SAR22000022	3/12/2022	12-Mar-22	Matt Holmes	SFSAR, AFSAR, LAAFB		Subject was in party of three. They skinned up from Aspen Vista Th. Subject injured himself while skiing down. Injury occurred at 135 426743 3959542 according to reporting party. Subject self-rescued with friends to Aspen Vista rd (closed and snowy) where Santa Fe Fire met them and evacuated them to TH. Subject's girlfriend transported him to hospital, diagnosis sprained ankle. SAR resources were activated (ORDM Tony Gaier) but mission was suspended before teams arrived at IB.	2	4
SAR22000025	3/17/2022	17-Mar-22	Tony Gaier	AMRC, CISAR, APD Open Space, BCSO, BCFD	Crest House Spur Trail (35.2099, -106.4509)	Subject called 911 after becoming disoriented during a snow storm. Bernalillo County Fire Department used "FindMeSAR" to find a location on the subject. Ground teams were sent to the location and quickly located the subject. The subject was walked out of the wilderness area. Subject was in good condition and refused help from EMS.	22	12
SAR22000026	4/3/2022	04-Apr-22	Nate Lay	PHILSAR, NMSP	135 0501236E 4065772N. This is an approximate location, as the subject was found by a non-SAR person and transported before alerting SAR	Subject and his friends were hunting on horseback in the Valle Vidal unit of the Carson National Forest. The subject became separated from others around 1430 and did not return to the vehicle at the end of the day. Subject was able to make a phone call to family and said he was lost. The subjects friends had no cell service and left the parking lot to get fuel and report the subject missing. State police responded and activated SAR. SP also acquired cell phone ping but coordinates were outside of the search area. SAR responded to scene, conducted a search of roads and structures as well as notified neighboring ranches of the missing person. Subject was ultimately found by a Vermejo Park employee near a gas well. Subject had gotten turned around and ultimately found the network of gas well roads and began following the roads until it became too dark to continue. Subject was uninjured and got a ride from the rancher to meet his uncle with a horse trailer.	6	40
SAR22000027	4/6/2022	06-Apr-22	Vern Lyautey		De-Na-Zin trail head with vehicle 36.31211581 -108.00166574	Call for a missing hiker near 1500 Road 7500 near the De-Na-Zin Trail head. NMSP officer located subject at subject's vehicle upon arrival to LKP. Mission terminated. No SAR response required.	1	0
SAR22000029	4/10/2022	10-Apr-22	Bruce Berry	CISAR, RRFD	35.22552 -106.88864	Two male subjects went 4-wheeling in Rio Puerco, starting at about 1730 on 4/9/22. Got their truck stuck. IC got call @ 0118 on 4/10/22 from NMSP. Met with SCSO Deputy - proceeded to rescue subjects	9	35
SAR22000030	4/13/2022	14-Apr-22	Laurie Wlosinski	GCSAR, DACSAR, MVSAR	12s 0733959 3624334	RP and subject were riding a motorcycle and ATV in a rugged, mountainous area of Gila National Forest in the Saddlehorn area on 4/13/22. After several hours of riding over a large area, the RP (brother) left the subject at the LKP for 15 minutes. Subject was to stay there but was gone when RP returned. Subject is unfamiliar with area, and may have been disoriented prior to having a seizure as had happened 2 months ago. RP and GCSO deputies searched area using ATVs that afternoon and evening. GCSO requested NMSP SAR at 2036. Search teams arrived at 2205 but did not deploy as search was suspended at 0039 4/14/22. Search resumed 0545 on 4/14/22. ATV, drone, vehicle and ground teams deployed and subject located at 1035. A NG helicopter enroute was returned to base. He was located approximately 2 miles E-SE of LKP and without the ATV. He was disoriented and may have been injured. He was medically evaluated in the field and transported by truck to the ICF. He was medically evaluated by local EMS and advised to be transported to hospital. The subject and his guardian refused EMS transport/treatment.	39	125
SAR22000032	4/15/2022	15-Apr-22	Tony Gaier	AMRC, CISAR, BCSO, BCFD	Crest Trail (35.20353, -106.43955)	Subject called 911 after becoming injured. Bernalillo County Fire Department used "FindMeSAR" to find the location of the subject. Ground teams were sent to the location and quickly located the subject. The subject was walked out of the wilderness area. Subject refused transport to a hospital for her injuries.	20	12
SAR22000031	4/15/2022	15-Apr-22	David Line Denali	CATSAR, GCSAR, SSAR, NMGF, USFS	Pueblo Creek Road, 125 0687815/372948	Subject went hiking with two dogs and hiked out Pueblo Creek to Pueblo Creek Road.		
SAR22000033	4/22/2022	22-Apr-22	Russ Imler	GCSAR	125 755244E 3684579N	Teams were deployed and tracked subject.	49	126
SAR22000034	4/29/2022	30-Apr-22	Vern Lyautey	K9SAR, NMMSAR, CATSAR, NMBSAR, PK9	36.305398 -108.030829	Subject slipped and injured knee, could not walk back to trail head. Subject sent an SOS via InReach for SAR assistance.	12	57
						Overdue hiker in the Bisti Wilderness. SAR initiated. Subject located by NMSP officers in the field. Walked back to IB and checked out by EMS. Mission terminated.	10	40

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SAR220000036	4/30/2022	01-May-22	Rick Overmier	AlaSAR, CCSAR, MVSAR, ONTRRS	Walked back into camp at 16	Subject was on 3 day hunting trip. Departed camp going up on a ridge line area, then down into a draw for possible turkey. Subject failed to return to camp after dark. Other members of the group got a ride to Cloudcroft from another hunter that was in the area. They made a call for help. SAR was activated. Subject walked out on his own after sunrise in good condition. All SAR teams returned to base.	22	48
SAR220000044	5/28/2022	28-May-22	Andrea Imler	GCSAR	12s 749502 3665740	Spot generation 3 SOS button was activated. Ultimately it was discovered that subject (contractor with USFS) intentionally hit the SOS. Subject in altercation with packer and ran and hid. Once packer left area, subject able to find high ground and get a call out. He was able to walk out on his own.	10	12