

What we know about the Gamerco fire

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- Two mobile homes burned down at 202 S. Chino Loop.
- The homes belonged to Dina Ponce and Anthony Martinez.
- The estimated damages are about \$30,000.
- The cause of the fire is under investigation.
- The fire hydrant close to the home on Chino and Hubble wasn't working.
- Gallup Fire Chief Eric Babcock said this could have possibly contributed to a delay in fighting the fire. Gallup fire trucks only hold several minutes worth of water.
- McKinley County Fire Dept. brought in tankers that hold 500 gallons of water.
- The nearest fire hydrants were 1,000 feet from the trucks.
- Gamerco Water & Sanitation District Manager Francisco Cantu said there's a comprehensive plan to upgrade/replace fire hydrants in the area by the end of July.
- Cantu said he's not sure of the cost associated with replacing the hydrants.