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## Environment Department confirms boil water advisory lifted for North Ranchos De Placitas Water System

Advisory was issued July 18 after E.coli was discovered in drinking water

**SANDOVAL COUNTY** – The New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau confirmed Friday that the North Ranchos De Placitas Water System has met the requirements to lift the boil water advisory that was issued on July 18, 2024.

The North Ranchos De Placitas Water System was required to issue the advisory after bacteriological contamination (*E. coli*) was confirmed in drinking water in the water system. The advisory only applied to users served by the North Ranchos De Placitas Water System and did not extend to any of the other surrounding water systems or communities.

The Drinking Water Bureau provided compliance oversight to the North Ranchos De Placitas Water System. Subsequent samples collected from the water system were negative for bacteriological contamination. The North Ranchos De Placitas Water System completed a required assessment of the water system and must maintain a regular monitoring schedule to test the distribution system for the presence of total coliform and *E. coli*.

More information about New Mexico's boil water advisories in English and Spanish is available <u>here</u>. For more information about today's announcement, please call Wayne Jeffs of the Drinking Water Bureau at 505-469-7457.

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