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**“Precautionary Boil Water Advisory” Issued for the
El Dorado Area Water & Sanitation District
*Customers are Urged to Boil Water Prior to Drinking***

(Santa Fe, N.M.) –The New Mexico Environment Department’s (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau (DWB) has issued a “precautionary boil water advisory” for the El Dorado Area Water & Sanitation District water system.

The precautionary advisory was issued on June 13, 2013 following a failure in the water system that required the system to have to shut down a large area likely to results in low water pressure for a large number of customers. After repairs are made the system will chlorinate and take bacteriological samples. The El Dorado Area Water & Sanitation District water system is located approximately 20 miles east of Santa Fe, NM in Santa Fe County. The El Dorado Area Water & Sanitation District water system is advised to notify water consumers of the precautionary advisory. This advisory only applies to drinking water for the El Dorado Area Water & Sanitation District water system and does not extend to any of the other surrounding water systems. The drinking water system serves a population of approximately 7,350 people.

The El Dorado Area Water & Sanitation District water consumers are advised to use water sparingly and seek an alternate source of drinking water, such as bottled water, or boil the water for five minutes before drinking, cooking and dishwashing. This is a precautionary advisory only, as no contamination has been detected in the drinking water system at this time.

The NMED Drinking Water Bureau will offer technical assistance to the water system until this situation is resolved.

For more information, call NMED Communications Director Jim Winchester at (505) 827-0314 or Danielle Shuryin, DWB Source Water Infrastructure Group Manager, at 505-476-8631.

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