Environment Department confirms boil water advisory lifted for Cimarron Water System in Colfax County

Users are no longer urged to boil water before drinking

COLFAX COUNTY – The New Mexico Environment Department’s (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau confirms that the Cimarron Water Supply has met the requirements to lift the boil water advisory that was issued on September 21, 2020.

Cimarron Water System was required to issue the advisory after NMED issued a notice of violation to the system for exceeding the allowable turbidity limit and for having less than the allowable amount of disinfectant in the water. Although turbidity has no direct risk to public health, it can contain harmful microorganisms that cannot be inactivated by chlorine. The advisory only applied to users served by the Cimarron Water System and did not extend to any of the other surrounding water systems or communities.

NMED provided extensive compliance oversight and technical support to the Cimarron Water System throughout the duration of the boil advisory. The Cimarron Water System addressed the issues with their water treatment plant and subsequent sampling data indicates that the treatment plant is producing water that meets turbidity requirements.

More information about New Mexico’s boil water advisories in English and Spanish is available here. For more information about today’s announcement, please contact Joe Savage of the Drinking Water Bureau, at 505-973-0009.

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