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The Environment Department's mission is to protect and restore the environment and to foster a healthy and prosperous New Mexico for present and future generations.

Environment Department confirms boil water advisory lifted for El Vadito De Los Cerrillos Water System in Santa Fe County

Users no longer required to boil water before drinking

SANTA FE COUNTY – The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) confirms that the El Vadito De Los Cerrillos Water System meets requirements to lift a boil water advisory issued in 2018.

El Vadito De Los Cerrillos Water System issued the advisory after bacterial contamination (*E. coli*) was detected in the drinking water source. The advisory only applied to the approximately 460 users served by this system and did not extend to any of the other surrounding water systems or communities.

NMED required the system to mitigate the contamination through treatment. NMED is also requiring the system to regularly monitor and test the distribution system for bacterial contamination.

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 contact Wayne Jeffs of the NMED Drinking Water Bureau at 505-469-7457.

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