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Environment Department confirms boil water advisory lifted for Sky Country Estates MDWCA

Users are no longer urged to boil water before drinking

OTERO COUNTY – The New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau confirms that the Sky Country Estates MDWCA water system has met the requirements to lift the boil water advisory issued on September 8, 2023.

Sky Country Estates MDWCA water system was required to issue the advisory after bacteriological contamination (*E. coli*) was detected in water samples collected from the water system's distribution. The advisory only applied to users served by the Sky Country Estates MDWCA and did not extend to any surrounding water systems or communities.

The Drinking Water Bureau provided compliance oversight to the Sky Country Estates MDWCA water system and subsequent samples collected from the water system were negative for bacteriological contamination. The Sky Country Estates MDWCA Water System will complete a required assessment of the water system, and it must maintain a regular monitoring schedule to test 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 Compliance Supervisor Wayne Jeffs at 505-469-7457.

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