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NMED Lifts Precautionary Boil Water Advisory for San Juan Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association

Santa Fe, NM –The New Mexico Environment Department’s (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau is lifting the “precautionary boil water advisory” for the San Juan Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association (MDWCA) Water System in San Miguel County.

NMED issued the advisory on June 27th 2013 after a series of major line breaks compromised the water system. San Juan MDWCA Water System serves approximately 150 residents and is located approximately 5 miles east of Pecos, NM, in San Miguel County.

This advisory only applied to the drinking water from the San Juan MDWCA Water System, and did not extend to any other surrounding water systems.

Consumers of the San Juan MDWCA Water System were advised to boil the water for five minutes before drinking, cooking, dishwashing and bathing.

The NMED Drinking Water Bureau provided technical assistance to the water system and determined that the major leaks have been repaired and adequate disinfection (chlorination) is being provided at levels that mitigates the potential threat to public health. The San Juan MDWCA Water System will maintain a regular monitoring schedule and continue to test the distribution system for the presence of contamination to include *E. coli*.

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