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Environment Department lifts Precautionary Water Advisory for Alpine Village W & SD

LINCOLN COUNTY – The New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau confirmed Thursday afternoon that the precautionary water advisory for Alpine Village W & SD can be lifted.

A precautionary drinking water advisory for the Alpine Village W & SD was issued on June 18, 2024, because of impacts from the South Fork and Salt Fires. The Drinking Water Bureau has continued to work with Alpine Village W & SD to ensure the safety of the drinking water system through post-fire recovery efforts. As a result of those efforts and significant work by Alpine Village W & SD, the advisory can now be fully lifted.

Although the advisory has been lifted for the Alpine Village W & SD, the precautionary advisory remains in place for the following water systems impacted by the fires.

Table with 2 columns: Precautionary Advisories Still in Effect for the Following Drinking Water Systems, Population Served. Rows include Tall Pines Water Association (84), Cedar Creek (536), and Gavilan Hills Water System (56).

NMED will continue to work with the Alpine Village W & SD and surrounding systems to ensure the safety of drinking water through continued post-fire and post-flooding recovery efforts.

More information about this precautionary water advisories in English and Spanish is available here. For more information on today's announcement, please call the Drinking Water Bureau's Compliance Supervisor Brandi Littleton at 575-323-4298.

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