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NM Environment Department Confirms “Boil Water Advisory” to be Issued by Chaco Culture National Historic Parks Water System
System Serves 250 Staff & Visitors--Users Urged to Boil Water Prior to Drinking

Santa Fe – The New Mexico Environment Department’s (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau (DWB) is confirming a required “boil water advisory” for the Chaco Culture National Historic Park Water System.

Chaco Culture National Historic Park Water System is required to issue the advisory today after bacteriological contamination (E. coli) was detected in repeat drinking water samples from the water system’s distribution system. Chaco Culture National Historic Park Water System is required to notify all water system users of this finding.

Chaco Culture National Historic Park Water System is a non-transient, non-community public water system located approximately 70 miles south of Farmington in San Juan County and serves approximately 250 visitors and staff users per day.

This advisory applies to the drinking water from the Chaco Culture National Historic Park Water System, and does not extend to any other surrounding water systems.

Consumers of the Chaco Culture National Historic Park Water System were advised to boil the water for one minute (3 minutes if above 6,500 feet in elevation) before drinking, cooking, washing fruits and vegetables, feeding a baby, brushing teeth, preparing drinks, making ice, and providing drinking water for pets. More details about precautions in English and Spanish can be found on the DWB’s webpage at: https://www.env.nm.gov/drinking_water/boil-water-advisories/

The NMED DWB will provide compliance oversight and technical assistance to the water system as necessary. For more information, please contact NMED DWB Compliance Officer, Tanya Trujillo, at (505) 222-9539.

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