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Environment Department confirms “Boil Water Advisory” for Hummingbird Music Camp in Sandoval County*150 users are urged to boil water before drinking*

SANDOVAL COUNTY – The New Mexico Environment Department’s (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau (DWB) confirms that a “boil water advisory” is required for the Hummingbird Music Camp in Sandoval County.

Hummingbird Music Camp was required to issue the advisory on July 15, 2021, after bacteriological contamination (***E. coli***) was detected in repeat drinking water samples from the water system’s distribution system. New Mexico Drinking Water Regulations require Hummingbird Music Camp to notify their water system consumers of this finding as soon as practical but no later than 24 hours after the system is notified of the confirmation of the violation.

Hummingbird Music Camp is a non-community public water system that serves approximately 150 users. This advisory applies only to the drinking water from the Hummingbird Music Camp and **does not** extend to any other surrounding water systems.

Hummingbird Music Camp users are advised are advised to boil the water for three minutes before:

- Drinking
- Making coffee, tea and other drinks
- Making ice
- Cooking
- Washing fruits and vegetables
- Using the water to feed a baby
- Brushing teeth
- Providing as drinking water for pets

The presence of ***E. coli*** in water indicates that the water may have been in contact with sewage or animal wastes and could contain disease-causing organisms. Most strains of ***E. coli*** are harmless and live in the intestines of healthy humans and animals. However, a positive test for ***E. coli*** in the drinking water supply may indicate the presence of dangerous strains of ***E. coli*** or other disease-causing organisms. These types of organisms may cause severe gastrointestinal illness and, in rare cases, death. Children, the elderly and immuno-compromised individuals are at an increased risk for illness.

The NMED Drinking Water Bureau will provide compliance oversight and offer technical assistance to the water system and will requires that Hummingbird Music Camp continues to test the water until no further threat of contamination remains.

More facts about New Mexico’s Boil Water Advisories in English and Spanish are found [here](#).

For more information on today’s announcement please call NMED’s Drinking Water Bureau Compliance Officer Wayne Jeffs at 505-469-7457.

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