



**WATER QUALITY TESTING  
PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE  
BY THE  
NEW MEXICO  
ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT**



- WHO:** San Mateo Creek Basin and surrounding area residents
- WHAT:** Water Fair – water testing for residents with private wells serving homes not connected to a public water utility
- WHEN:** Wednesday, January 21, 2009, 12:00 pm to 5 pm
- WHERE:** Cibola County Building, 515 High Street, Grants, NM 87020

*How to Collect the Water Sample:*

- **Collect the sample before any water treatment systems such as reverse osmosis, water softener, or carbon filter.**
  - **Use a clean glass or plastic container (at least a quart).**
  - **Do not use containers that have a strong odor, such as pickle jars.**
  - **Let the water run for a couple of minutes before collecting the sample.**
  - **Collect the sample as close to the time of testing as possible.**
  - **Cover the container with a clean lid.**
- Limited analysis will be performed the same day, and you can either pick up results or have them mailed to you.
  - In addition, residents with private wells within the San Mateo Creek Basin (area covered by the health advisory) may sign up to have their wells considered for sampling by NMED Staff at a later date for a more extensive list of analytes including uranium.

**Drinking water will be tested at the water fair for the following parameters:**

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| △ <b>Electrical conductivity</b> | △ <b>Nitrate</b> |
| △ <b>Iron</b>                    | △ <b>pH</b>      |
| △ <b>Fluoride</b>                | △ <b>Sulfate</b> |

For further information contact the NMED Ground Water Quality Bureau at: 505-222-9574.