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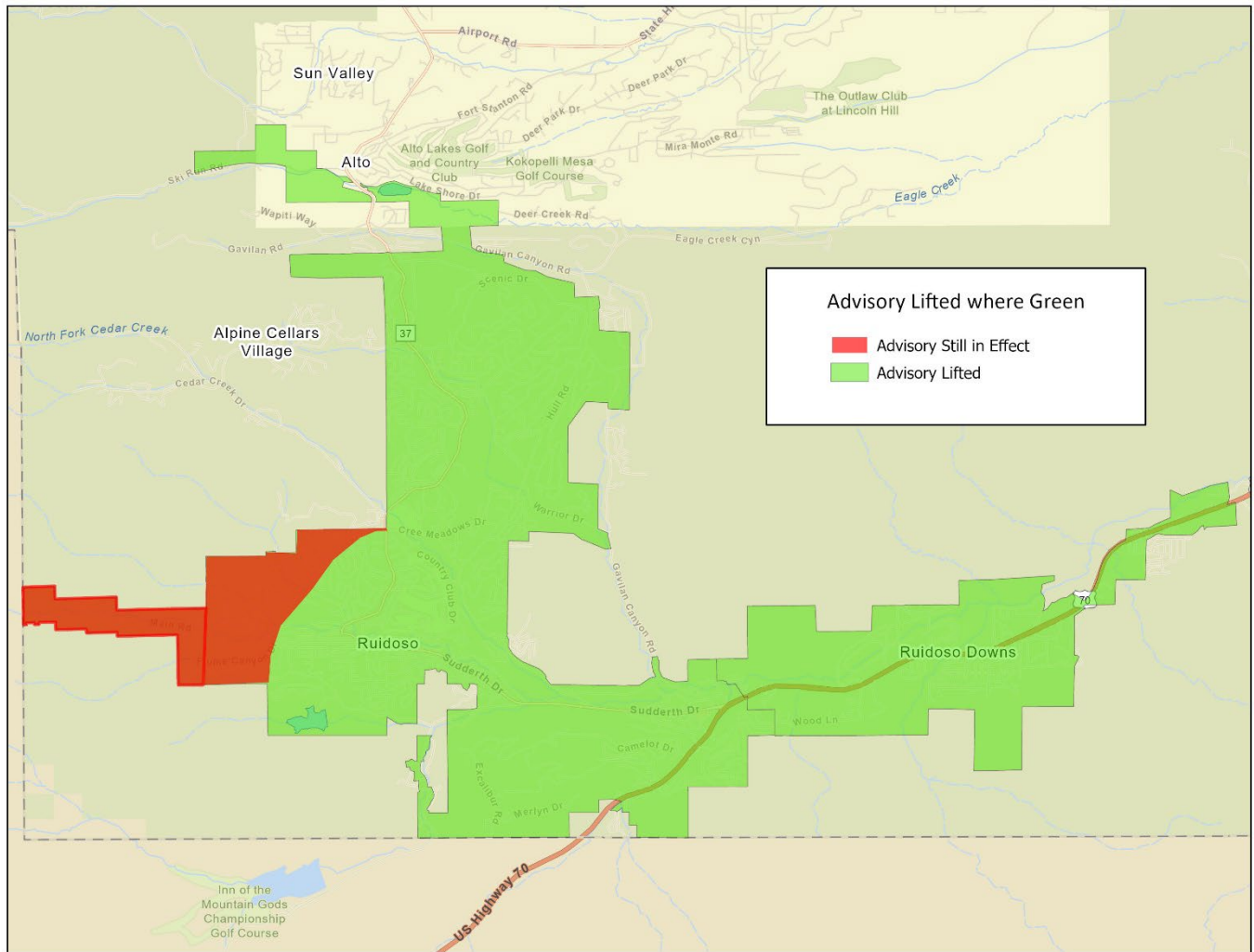
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Additional Precautionary Water Advisories Lifted for Ruidoso and Surrounding Areas

LINCOLN COUNTY – The New Mexico Environment Department’s (NMED) Drinking Water Bureau confirms that additional areas of the Ruidoso Water System and the entire Alto Lakes Water & Sanitation District precautionary drinking water advisories can be lifted.

Precautionary Advisories Lifted For the following Drinking Water Systems	Population Served
Ruidoso Water System (partial areas lifted, see map below)	19,195
High Country Lodge	194
Eagle Creek Shell Convenience Store	800
Eagle Creek Sports Complex	250
Smokey Bear Ranger Station	180
Alto Lakes Water & Sanitation District	3,406



At this time, the precautionary water advisory for the Ruidoso Water System has been lifted in the green areas of the included map. The areas noted in red are still advised to boil their water. The NMED Drinking Water Bureau will continue to work with Ruidoso Village Officials to ensure the safety of the drinking water supply.

The precautionary advisory also remains in place for the following systems and areas impacted by the fires.

Precautionary Advisories Still in Effect for the Following Drinking Water Systems	Population Served
Tall Pines Water Association	84
Cedar Creek	536
Alpine Village	253
Gavilan Hills Water System	56

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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