



ENFORCEMENT WATCH ALERT

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Enforcement Watch Alert: 188 enforcement actions initiated; 16 resolved in June 2026

NMED collaborates on strategies to address PFAS contamination across New Mexico

SANTA FE — The New Mexico Environment Department is highlighting the ongoing success of its [Enforcement Watch](#) initiative, a transparency-focused program that provides the public with consistent and timely information about the Department's enforcement actions across environmental protection, public health, and worker safety programs.

By making enforcement data accessible, Enforcement Watch reinforces NMED's commitment to New Mexico residents for accountability and regulatory compliance statewide.

Launched in June 2023, Enforcement Watch shares monthly updates on enforcement actions and their resolutions. These updates are broadly divided into two categories:

- **Active Matters:** Alleged violations of state regulations, rules, permits, or licenses that are currently under investigation or pending resolution.
- **Resolved Matters:** Cases that have been adjudicated in court or administratively resolved, including the full payment of any civil penalties.

Spotlight: NMED bureau advances PFAS action through regional collaboration

The New Mexico Environment Department's Resource Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau (RPCEB) is advancing efforts to address PFAS contamination at federal facilities and other affected sites across New Mexico.

Last month, RPCEB participated in the Western Region Air Force Summit in Denver, where regulators from 29 states and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency discussed the logistical, scientific and legal challenges associated with remediating per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS.

RPCEB worked with regional stakeholders to develop recommendations supporting long-term PFAS cleanup and environmental recovery in New Mexico.

The recommendations include measures to advance remediation at Holloman Air Force Base, expand ecological and environmental data collection in PFAS-affected areas, strengthen coordination among agencies involved in cleanup efforts, and inform statewide PFAS remediation strategies.

“Addressing PFAS contamination requires sound science, strong partnerships and a commitment to holding responsible parties accountable,” said **Dr. Kyle Staggs, RPCEB bureau chief**. “We are working to advance long-term cleanup solutions, improve our understanding of PFAS contamination and use our regulatory authorities when necessary to protect New Mexico’s communities and natural resources.”

RPCEB also consulted with hazardous waste and federal facilities programs in neighboring states to identify best practices and lessons learned from PFAS and other environmental remediation projects.

The bureau continues to work with Air Force Civil Engineer Center leadership to identify cleanup actions at multiple New Mexico sites and establish data-sharing practices between NMED and the Air Force. These efforts are strengthening coordination between state and federal partners as PFAS investigation and remediation move forward across New Mexico.

Enforcement Watch updates for June 2026

This past month (June 2026), the Compliance and Enforcement Division of NMED added 188 new cases to Active Matters and resolved 16, demonstrating ongoing enforcement and accountability across the state.

The following enforcement cases were initiated in June:

- 121 notices of violation issued by the Food Safety Program to retail food establishments
- 35 notices of violation issued by the Water Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau
- 20 notices of violation issued by the Occupational Health and Safety Bureau
- 7 notices of violation issued by the Resource Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau
- 5 notices of violation issued by the Environmental Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau

The following enforcement cases were resolved in June:

- 5 cases in the Occupational Health and Safety Bureau
- 4 cases in the Food Safety Program to retail food establishments
- 4 cases in the Resource Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau

- 2 cases in the Water Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau
- 1 case in the Environmental Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau

Highlights of alleged violations and resolved enforcement actions in June include:

- The Environmental Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau issued a [Notice of Violation](#) to Peralta Concrete RediMix, LLC in Peralta following an onsite inspection prompted by a citizen complaint. The notice cites the company's failure to submit a required Notice of Intent to modify operations for a facility with potential emissions greater than 10 tons, in violation of New Mexico air quality regulations.
- The Resource Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau issued a [Notice of Violation](#) to Dan C. Trigg Memorial Hospital in Tucumcari for failing to pay required hazardous waste generator fees for 2022 and 2024, in violation of state hazardous waste regulations.
- The Resource Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau issued a [Notice of Violation](#) to Roswell Municipal Landfill for multiple violations of New Mexico Solid Waste rules and the Recycling, Illegal Dumping and Scrap Tire Management Rule, including inadequate litter control, insufficient daily cover, and failures to document required training and leachate monitoring.
- The Occupational Health and Safety Bureau issued a [Citation and Notice of Penalty](#) to B&R Auto Wrecking in Farmington for failing to protect employees from recognized hazards while dismantling damaged vehicles. Employees were exposed to risks from vehicle instability and slippage, in violation of occupational safety and health regulations.
- The Water Protection Compliance and Enforcement Bureau issued a [Notice of Violation](#) to Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association in Doña Ana for exceeding the uranium Maximum Contaminant Level at Treatment Plant #5 during the fourth quarter of 2025.

Enforcement Watch provides the public, the business community, environmental nongovernment organizations, and municipal governments with easy access to see which organizations NMED has alleged are in violation of regulations, permits, and/or licenses administered by the Department. It is updated when violations are alleged or resolved. Retrospective enforcement matters are added as staffing resources allow. Organizations remain on Enforcement Watch until the alleged violations are corrected to the satisfaction of the Department.

The easiest way for an organization to avoid appearing on the Enforcement Watch is to stay off it in the first place by remaining in full compliance with applicable regulations. NMED encourages organizations that are unclear of their regulatory responsibilities to contact a consultant and conduct a third-party compliance audit and disclose potential violations.

NMED provides detailed compliance and enforcement metrics in the Compliance Measures section of the [Quarterly Performance Report](#).

The full Enforcement Watch can be viewed at <https://www.env.nm.gov/enforcement-watch>.

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