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## Eateries cited for permit violations

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New Mexico Environment Department's Environmental Health Bureau is in charge of issuing permits to food establishments. The Department administers the Food Safety Program.

The following Las Cruces locations were sent a letter with the notice of violation for operating without a valid permit due to non-payment of the permit fee by the Environmental Health Bureau.

The violation letters are from May 2026 (date of issuance in parenthesis). The business was given 30 days to pay a fee and a late fee.

### Las Cruces area restaurants and food establishments on New Mexico's enforcement watch database

- The Chocolate Lady (5/1/26), 2379 Calle de Guadalupe
- Pablito's LLC (5/1/26), 3872 Ring-neck Dr.
- Spicy Bean (5/1/26), 1001 E University Ave Ste B-1
- Chilaso LLC: (5/1/26), 1001 E University Ave Ste B-1

Search the New Mexico Environment Department's Enforcement watch database at <https://www.env.nm.gov/enforcement-watch/>.

# Big water problems need big solutions

### As climate change outpaces conservation, three cities offer glimpse of the future

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THE CONVERSATION

When a drought turns into an urban water crisis, a city's first step is often to limit lawn watering and launch a campaign to encourage everyone to conserve. It might raise water-use rates or offer incentives for installing low-flow devices. • While demand management techniques like these have had a lot of success in reducing water use, our new research suggests that they may not be effective enough in the face of climate change. • We looked at three cities in the Colorado River Basin - Phoenix, Las Vegas and Denver - to understand what each could do to increase demand management amid water shortages and how far those methods could go as temperatures rise and the Colorado River's flow weakens. • The results suggest the region needs to be thinking about bigger solutions. See **WATER**, Page 2A



ABOVE: Las Vegas is in many ways viewed as a city of excess; however, since 2002, the city has reduced its per-capita water use by nearly 60%, even as the population grew by more than 50%. LEFT: The Colorado River provides drinking water to nearly 40 million people and irrigation for over 5.5 million acres of cropland. But it has experienced a significant drop in water availability in recent decades due in part to rising demand for water and a long-running megadrought in the Southwest.

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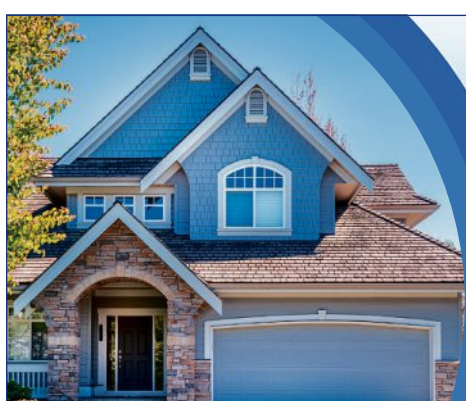
## Hotlines took questions about boat strikes

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The U.S. military has killed more than 200 people in strikes on boats in the Caribbean and Eastern Pacific in the last nine months in what legal experts and former military lawyers broadly agree constitute illegal military orders that service members should refuse to follow.

While there is no record of troops refusing to follow these orders, at least a handful of service members grappling with these questions have sought legal advice, according to anonymous

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