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CORDOVA NEW MEXICO: A DECENTRALIZED SYSTEM WITH A MIX OF ALL THE POSSIBILITIES

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ABSTRACT: The community of Cordova New Mexico is in the middle of constructing a decentralized wastewater system that has elements that cover the spectrum of possibilities for a decentralized system: small lots and big lots; homes in a critical groundwater protection area, homes not in the critical area; treatment pods that handle 50 homes, treatment pods that handle only a few homes or even a single home; treated WW discharged to infiltration gallery, treated WW discharged to an irrigation system; STEP systems, STEG systems. Their bottom line objective is to protect the water quality in their watershed as cost effectively as possible and treating residents of the community as fairly and uniformly as possible.

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