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### **GOVERNOR BILL RICHARDSON RELEASES STATEMENT ON 10<sup>TH</sup> CIRCUIT WATER DECISION**

SANTA FE - Governor Bill Richardson released the following statement in reaction to the decision by the 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals to uphold a lower court ruling that affects water claimed by the city of Albuquerque.

“The decision is a setback for New Mexico, and we must pursue all legal remedies to overturn this shortsighted decision all the way to the Supreme Court,” Governor Richardson said. “As governor, I pledge my best efforts to protect Albuquerque and New Mexico from this grievous imbalance in the Endangered Species Act.”

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