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HUMBOLDT COUNTY COVID-19 CASES NOW AT 41

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.— Humboldt County has been notified of one more positive case of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), bringing the county's total to 41.

In all, 296 people have been tested for the virus; 10 results are pending.

Forty of the cases were identified through Humboldt General Hospital, while one was confirmed out of area.

Based on available information, close contacts of the newest case are being identified or have been notified and are following self-isolation procedures to prevent community spread of the virus.

Brief summary information follows:

- Case 41 – A woman in her 20s, whose case remains under investigation. She is self-isolating at home.

Of the 40 previously reported cases, five have recovered, three are hospitalized, 30 are self-isolating at home, and two have passed away. Humboldt County currently has 34 active cases.

Today, the Humboldt County Health Board discussed the process local owners and managers will undertake to demonstrate that Humboldt County is ready to re-open to business.

Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, reminded residents that local officials are not controlling the business re-opening process: residents are through their behavior.

“If we are to succeed at re-opening our community to business, we must do the right things as individuals,” he said. “That means we all must social distance, wear masks, wash our hands and remind those around us to do the same.”

To join the fight against COVID-19, please:

- Stay home to limit exposure, and wear a mask if going out in public is necessary.
- Maintain 6 feet of distance from other people at all times.

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Stay informed. The COVID-19 situation is changing frequently. Up-to-date information is available on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.

Local residents who have mild fever, cough, or other respiratory symptoms should go to Humboldt General Hospital's West Campus screening clinic, located at 51 E. Haskell Street; the clinic is open daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Senior residents should call the clinic first at (775) 623-5222, ext. 1379, so staff may direct their arrival.

Anyone who is experiencing severe respiratory distress should proceed immediately to the HGH Emergency Department. For complete guidance, please visit www.hghospital.org.

Local COVID-19 information is available in Spanish @CovidEspanol. Humboldt County COVID-19 updates and information are available in English at @HumboldtCountyNV and @StopHumboldtCoronavirus.

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