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## HUMBOLDT COUNTY REPORTS 818 TOTAL CONFIRMATIONS, 340 ACTIVE CASES

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.—Humboldt County has been notified of three more positive cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), raising the county’s total to 818.

The Fort McDermitt Paiute Shoshone Tribe reports 178 positive cases. In all, Fort McDermitt has completed 2,591 tests, 169 people have recovered, one person has died, and the tribe has eight active cases.

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

Brief summary information of Humboldt County’s latest cases follows:

Case #	Gender	Age Range	Contact	Status
818	Woman	40s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
817	Man	30s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
816	Woman	50s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating

Of the previous 815 cases, 467 have recovered, 332 are self-isolating, five are hospitalized locally, and 11 have died; Humboldt County has 340 active cases.

Humboldt County has revised its tiered rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine to move residents 75 and older up in priority according to guidance released earlier this month from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

So far across the state, more than 25,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to Tier 1 healthcare workers and long-term care patients and staff, including approximately 400 doses in Humboldt County.

Residents age 75+ will now be part of Tier 2 vaccinations, which are expected to begin rolling out between January and February 2021 pending vaccine allocations, after Tier 1 inoculations are complete.

Humboldt County residents over age 75 who wish to be notified once Tier 2 vaccines become available may place their name on a registry by calling the Pleasant Senior Center at (775) 623-6211 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, not including holidays.

Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, said local residents should continue to guard against the virus by wearing a mask, distancing socially and practicing good hand hygiene.

“We are excited to see this vaccination process underway,” said Dr. Stringham, “but that does not remove our obligation to continue to be good neighbors by doing the right things.”

Dr. Stringham added, “I urge all county residents to get vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as the opportunity presents itself. If enough Nevadans are vaccinated, it will enable our hospitals to remain resilient and schools and businesses to remain open.”

To prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Humboldt County:

- Stay home to limit exposure, and wear a facial covering 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 visiting sick people or those who are self-isolating.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Self-isolate if they have had a known exposure, or if they are awaiting COVID-19 test results.
- 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](#).

COVID-19 testing locations in Humboldt County include:

- **Humboldt General Hospital Screening Clinic** - Offers drive-thru screening for asymptomatic persons from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch), and by-appointment screening with a provider for symptomatic persons from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch; call 775-623-5222, ext. 1379 to schedule an appointment). Located at 51 E. Haskell Street, across from Humboldt General Hospital.
- **Golden Valley Medical Center** - Private clinic owned by Nevada Gold offers screening for asymptomatic and symptomatic persons. Call (775) 625-4653 for an appointment.
- **Ridley's Pharmacy** - Offers in-vehicle, self-administered asymptomatic and symptomatic testing. Go [here](#) and follow the prompts to schedule an appointment.
- **HGH Emergency Department** - Those who experience severe COVID-like symptoms should go directly to the HGH Emergency Department, which is open 24 hours a day, or call 9-1-1 for emergency assistance.

Free cloth masks are available to community members at the Olsen's and Ridley's pharmacies, courtesy of the Mucca Mask Makers, or by messaging the group on Facebook @Mucca Mask Makers.

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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