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## **TWO MORE CASES RAISE HUMBOLDT COUNTY'S COVID-19 COUNT TO 40**

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.— Humboldt County has been notified of two more positive cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), bringing the county's total to 40.

In all, 286 people have been tested for the virus; six results are pending.

Thirty-nine 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 cases 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 40 – A man in his 20s, who is a close contact of a previously reported case. He is hospitalized.
- Case 39 – A woman in her 30s, whose case remains under investigation. She is self-isolating at home.

Of the 38 previously reported cases, five have recovered, three are hospitalized, 28 are self-isolating at home, and two have passed away. Humboldt County currently has 33 active cases.

The Humboldt County Health Board will meet beginning at 9 a.m. Thursday, April 30, for its regularly scheduled weekly meeting. Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, and others will share current response efforts to the COVID-19 virus; board members also will discuss safely re-opening the economy.

Those who wish to listen to the meeting or share public comment may access agenda and teleconference information at [www.hcnv.us/government/agendas](http://www.hcnv.us/government/agendas).

Local residents who need a mask may message Dr. Stringham on the Stop Coronavirus in Humboldt County Now Facebook page @stophumboldtcoronavirus. Masks also are available by messaging @MuccaMaskMakers on Facebook.

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](http://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](http://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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