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HUMBOLDT COUNTY REPORTS 386 TOTAL CONFIRMATIONS, 107 ACTIVE CASES

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.— Humboldt County has been notified of 32 more positive cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), raising the county’s total to 386.

The Fort McDermitt Paiute Shoshone Tribe is reporting 143 positive cases. In all, Fort McDermitt has completed 2,238 tests, 130 people have recovered, one person has died, and the tribe has 12 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
386	Woman	50s	Exposed to positive case	Self-isolating
385	Man	30s	Unknown exposure	Self-isolating
384	Man	40s	Unknown exposure	Self-isolating
383	Woman	60s	Unknown exposure	Self-isolating
382	Man	20s	Exposed to positive case	Self-isolating
381	Man	30s	Under investigation	Self-isolating
380	Woman	30s	Under investigation	Self-isolating
379	Man	20s	Under investigation	Self-isolating
378	Man	20s	Under investigation	Self-isolating
377	Female	Teen	Under investigation	Self-isolating
376	Woman	30s	Exposed to positive case	Self-isolating
375	Male	Teen	Exposed to positive case	Self-isolating
374	Woman	20s	Exposed to positive case	Self-isolating
373	Woman	20s	Unknown exposure	Self-isolating
372	Man	40s	Exposed to positive case	Self-isolating
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370	Man	30s	Unknown exposure	Self-isolating
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357	Man	40s	Exposed to positive case	Self-isolating
356	Man	30s	Exposed to positive case	Self-isolating
355	Woman	50s	Unknown exposure	Self-isolating

Of the previous 354 cases, 273 have recovered, 69 are self-isolating, six are hospitalized, and six have died; Humboldt County has 107 active cases.

From March through October, Humboldt County reported a total of 178 cases; November’s total has surpassed all the previous months combined.

From November 1-30, the county reported 208 cases to the public, although dozens more positive cases are going through the tracing process and will be released to the public in the coming days. Previously, the county’s highest month was October with 49 total cases.

Not only that, but Humboldt County now ranks second highest in the state in terms of test positivity at 36.5 percent; the state’s current positivity rate is 17.1 percent.

“We are reaching a critical point in this fight against COVID-19,” said Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD. “Our resources at the hospital level, the county level, the business level and the community level are all being greatly taxed. We have to slow this virus down.”

Dr. Stringham continued, “Wear a mask and socially distance. Stay home and enjoy your immediate family; hold meetings by zoom; use the grocery and restaurant pickup features; telecommute if you can. Now is the time for each of us to do what we can to prevent further spread of this virus.”

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. seven days a week (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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