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HUMBOLDT COUNTY REPORTS 737 TOTAL CONFIRMATIONS, 261 ACTIVE CASES

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.— Humboldt County has been notified of 13 more positive cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), raising the county’s total to 737.

The Fort McDermitt Paiute Shoshone Tribe reports 168 positive cases. In all, Fort McDermitt has completed 2,469 tests, 155 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
737	Man	50s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
736	Woman	60s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
735	Woman	70s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
734	Woman	50s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
733	Man	50s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
732	Woman	70s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
731	Male	Child	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
730	Man	40s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
729	Woman	20s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
728	Man	30s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
727	Woman	50s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
726	Man	40s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
725	Man	50s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating

Of the previous 724 cases, 467 have recovered, 241 are self-isolating, seven are hospitalized locally, and nine have died; Humboldt County has 261 active cases.

Nevada is reporting improved numbers in most of the major COVID-19 metrics it tracks, but state

officials are warning the slowdown may not be permanent.

Even though deaths, hospitalizations and positivity rates have all dropped over the past eight days, Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, said it's still too early to label it a trend.

Dr. Stringham continued, "And even if it is, we still need to keep our guards up and keep doing the right things."

With the year's biggest holidays still to come, and the peak of flu season right after that, Dr. Stringham said local residents need to continue to abide by the same vigilant behaviors: wear a mask, socially distance, wash hands frequently and avoid gatherings with persons not of the same household.

"Regardless of the trends, those are the behaviors that will keep us safe," he said.

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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