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Yuba County Jail Suspending Visitation due to COVID-19 Concerns

Effective December 17, 2020 and due to rising concerns about the increase in COVID-19 cases in the Yuba-Sutter region, the Yuba County Jail will be temporarily suspending in person visitation with inmates. This decision was not made lightly and was made in consultation with our Bi-County Health Officer Dr. Luu and upon her recommendations.

Our jail population is currently at approximately 55% capacity, with 235 inmates housed as of today. We currently have seven COVID-positive County inmates in isolated treatment, with three previous cases since March 2020. All inmates and staff are screened daily for symptoms and testing is widely available and encouraged. Any new incoming inmates are quarantined for 14 days before being housed into the jail population.

The current positive cases in the jail have emerged within the last week. Internal contact tracing is underway for those inmates to determine potential exposure, with additional testing in progress throughout the facility. At this time, the seven COVID-positive inmates are under 24-hour medical care in isolation at our jail, and none have experienced complications nor needed hospitalization.

We continue to follow very strict COVID-19 protocols under consultation from medical professionals, including PPE and strict disinfecting procedures for all staff and inmates at our facility. Please be assured we will be constantly evaluating our ability to re-implement in person visitation as soon as we can do so. Phone visitations are encouraged and jail staff will coordinate attorney visits as necessary.