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Amador COVID-19 Update: Case Increase

Amador County, CA – Amador County Public Health confirms forty-one new cases of COVID-19 in Amador since last Tuesday's update. The new cases include 23 males and 18 females, 13 children under the age of 18, 20 aged 18-49, 4 aged 50-64, 4 over 65 years of age; 4 residing in Ione, 12 living in Jackson, 5 living in Pine Grove, 8 in Pioneer, 3 in Plymouth/surrounding areas, 8 residing in Sutter Creek/Amador City, and 1 in Volcano. These cases are linked to transmission among extended family, household transmission, and gatherings.

While, as of today, Amador remains in the red tier on <u>California's Blueprint for a Safer Economy</u>, trends are increasing statewide. Businesses may reference the state's <u>Activity and Business Tiers</u> to view modifications within the red tier designation.

COVID-19 testing is available in Amador County and within driving distance in neighboring counties. To access no-cost COVID-19 testing in Jackson, register at www.projectbaseline.com for an appointment. Assistance with scheduling an appointment is available by calling the Amador Testing Helpline at (209) 223-6676.

With the upcoming holidays, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued Thanksgiving guidance along with California Department of Public Health's Tips for a Healthier Holiday Season. Individual actions affect our whole community. It is important to consistently practice prevention measures that help limit the spread of COVID-19. Avoid gatherings, especially where people are not keeping distance or wearing face coverings. Avoid mixing with others outside your household. Individuals may be contagious before symptoms of COVID-19 are present. Outdoors is safer than indoors. Persons over age 65 and those with chronic health conditions that put them at higher risk for severe COVID-19 are encouraged to stay home as much as possible. Avoid unnecessary travel. Stay home if you are sick even with mild symptoms. If you have been directed to isolate or quarantine, please follow all instructions.

Total cases in Amador to date = 394 cases.

Total hospitalized = 4 cases (2 locally and 2 out-of-county)

Total confirmed COVID-19 deaths = 15 deaths.

Total active cases = 52 cases.

Total cases released from isolation to date = 327 cases. Cases are released from isolation when they are no longer infectious.