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Seven New Cases Reported Since Friday; Three False Positives Removed from Total Case Count

Seven new cases of COVID-19 were recorded since Friday. Three previously reported cases tested at an outside laboratory were determined to be false positives and have been removed from the overall case count. This means that Humboldt County's total number of residents confirmed to have contracted the virus has increased by four and now stands at 286.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich said that the outside lab discovered a problem with an entire specimen run and did repeat testing on the specimens that had been reported out as positive. This repeat testing yielded negative results. Two of the three individuals requested an additional round of testing at our local Public Health Laboratory, which again affirmed the negative results.

"We are committed to reporting data accurately and want our community to have confidence that case counts are accurate and that if an error occurs anywhere in the process, it will be corrected," Dr. Frankovich said.

Today's alert level stands at three or level orange. Visit humboldt.gov/dashboard to view the county's Alert Level Assessment tool.

For the most recent COVID-19 information, visit cdc.gov or cdph.ca.gov. Local information is available at humboldt.gov or during business hours by contacting covidinfo@co.humboldt.ca.us or calling 707-441-5000.

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