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“As of 9:21am on 8/17/2020 – Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center has sent in or tested 2395 Total Tests, 2146 Total Negative, 1 Tests Pending, 232 Total Positive Cases, 16 Total Invalid, 23 Hospitalized, 17 Discharged, 5 Deaths, 180 Recovered. Note: this data is not reconcile for patients not tested at the clinic, but tracked by Community Health; 43 active cases and 46 being monitored as close contacts; 1 new death, another not yet confirmed; 2 positives from tests pending over the weekend; WS still on boil water notice; Power outage here in WS yesterday for several hours.” __Dauphinais, Hyllis, CEO, Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center, CoVID-19 Update

The Warm Springs Tribal Council and CoVID-10 Response Team are very concerned about the increased cases in the younger age groups and multi-family households. Increased education about dangers of COVID-19 disease, possible impact to families and community and need for multi-family households to accept responsibility for continued safety measures-wearing masks, social distancing, avoiding hot spots and following instructions from Community Health if you are ordered to quarantine or isolate.

Please stay home during the organization closure: Note: closure continued....”In response to the COVID-19 pandemic the Tribal Council has approved another 1-week shut down. Re-opening date to still be determined. Tribal government offices will be closed from August 17 through August 21, 2020. This does not apply to essential services....” Michele Stacona, Secretary-Treasurer/CEO, CTWS.

A serious reminder that **if you are positive with the Corona Virus-19, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs tribal government expects you to be responsible and isolate yourself.....**if not Ordinance 101 will allow detention of those that do not comply with ordered isolation/quarantine.

The Boil Water Notice is still in effect for Warm Springs Agency area. The agency water needs to be tested for drinkability and hopefully by this Monday. “As with any aging system, we could still experience main line breaks that could require specific areas to lose water pressure and possibly require a localized boil water notice. If these isolated issues arise, we will do our best to notify folks as soon as we possibly can.” Travis Wells, General Manager, Branch of Public Utilities. For more information contact: The Branch of Public Utilities, Water and Wastewater division at (541)553-3246

