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MONO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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August 17, 2018

Honorable Judge Mark Magit
Presiding Judge, Mono County Superior Court
100 Thompson Way
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Mammoth Lakes, California 93546

Re: Response to the Mono County 2017-2018 Grand Jury Final Report

Dear Judge Magit:

The Mono County Sheriff's Office is in receipt of the Mono County 2017-2018 Grand Jury Final Report. As required by California Penal Code Section 933(c), I am responding to the portions of the report that relate to the Mono County Sheriff's Office.

Recommendation: That they continue to work toward filling positions that are in the budget.

The Sheriff's Office agrees with the recommendation. Since the Grand Jury members visited the Jail, we have hired two Public Safety Officers and filled all currently budgeted positions in the Jail. When the Board of Supervisors reassesses the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget in September, we will request additional funding to fill the remaining allocated five positions.

Recommendation: That they oversee and have input on the future facility from an operational standpoint.

The Sheriff's Office agrees with the recommendation. As the County's Public Works Department moves forward with the construction of the new Jail, the input of current Jail staff is crucial. Both Jail supervisors have been included in the meetings regarding Jail construction, and their knowledge and advice will be invaluable in ensuring our new facility incorporates all necessary elements to be fully functional.

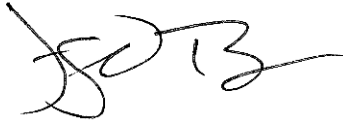
Recommendation: That they continue to seek a timelier, more prudent solution to emergency medical transportation needs.

The Sheriff's Office agrees with the recommendation, but with the understanding that this recommendation is beyond our capabilities. This concern does not only apply to our inmates. It is the nature of a remote, geographically large county with a small population that many services are not readily available. Prompt medical treatment is a concern for all residents in Mono County, especially in the northern part of the county. The nearest clinic is the Toiyabe

Indian Health Project, 32 miles north in Coleville. The nearest 24-hour facility is Mammoth Hospital, 54 miles to the south. The nearest Trauma Center is Renown Regional Medical Center, 113 miles north in Reno. Mono County will continue to seek solutions to the lack of medical services in Bridgeport.

I appreciate the thoroughness of the 2017-2018 Grand Jury in following up on the recommendations of prior reports.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'IB' with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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c: Mono County Board of Supervisors
Leslie Chapman, County Administrative Officer
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