

COVID-19 Update - May 13, 2020

Hi all-

Another slow news day, so we'll get right to it.

COVID-19 Testing: To date, 42 people in our custody have been tested for COVID-19 and 41 of those tests have been negative. We have 1 test pending, and we expect results tomorrow. I also wanted to bring to your attention that a GEO staff member at Eagle Pass Correctional Facility tested positive for COVID-19. Three units were placed on 14-day medical quarantine so that incarcerated individuals could be observed for the development of any symptoms. No one developed symptoms and the quarantine was lifted today. My apologies for not getting that information to you sooner. I went through my previous updates and realized it never made it into an email. Unrelated to the medical quarantine, a separate incarcerated person at Eagle Pass was tested for COVID-19 and the results of that test were negative as well.

Training: We're getting back in the swing of things and several groups will resume training. Training for the South Boise CERT and CNT are going to take place soon. We also are preparing to hold an in-person New Employee Orientation (NEO) session in June. We have new safety considerations to take into account, and it undoubtedly will look a little different than training in the past, but it's exciting to get after it again.

Stage 2 Announcement Tomorrow: Tomorrow, Governor Little will announce if Idaho has met the criteria to advance to stage 2 of the reopening plan. We'll keep you posted on any developments.

That's all for tonight. Stay safe and take care of yourself.

Thanks-
Josh