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"As of 4:30p on 7/15/2020 – Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center has sent in or tested **1442 Total Tests**, **1291 Total Negative**, **38 Test Pending**, **107 Total Positive Cases**, **6 Total Invalid**, **9 Hospitalized**, **6 Discharged**, **80 Recovered**. Note - the STATE lab is taking 24-48 hours for results and our maximum daily capacity for Rapid tests is 20-22. Our test kit inventory currently stands at 178 STATE and 258 ABBOTT (Rapid) test kits. We continue to do random surveillance testing of our high-risk community members, our healthcare and first responder staff, and we continue to conduct broader surveillance of the CTWS employees, as the community has reopened." Hyllis D. Dauphinais, Sr. CEO, Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center ph: 541-553-2176

Welcome to Dr. Thomas Weiser from Portland Area Office, Indian Health Service. He is an Epidemiologist. He will be working with local Warm Springs Health staff with support and recommendations.

The Boil Water Notice is still in effect for Warm Springs Agency area. For more information contact: The Branch of Public Utilities, Water and Wastewater division at (541)553-3246. Conservation of water is critical as repairs will take time; please continue to conserve water. The water available for the Agency community is still low.

Thanks to State of Oregon Representative Daniel Bonham and State Senator Lynn Findley for getting a funding package for the initial phase of Warm Springs' water infrastructure repairs on the Emergency Board agenda this Tuesday. The E-Board passed the package unanimously to have Business Oregon partner with The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs to begin repairs to have clean drinking water, rid ourselves of the "boil water" situation and having to conserve water use more than normal.

The Warm Springs CoVID-19 Response team is encouraging households, in your home, to continue safe practices of washing hands often, limit other people visiting without masks, cleaning and disinfecting flat surfaces and wearing your face covering when you have to go out. It is interesting to note that the CoVID-19 continues to be dangerous to 60 year and older persons. Locally, 79 percent of positive cases are in the younger ranges (less than 18 to 49). Our young people must keep up their safety practices, wear masks, social distance, wash hands often, avoid sick people and plan your out of home travels with CoVID-19 in mind.

To check Oregon Status as of 0800 on 7/15/2020 go to https://govstatus.egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19

Also Center for Disease Control go to: cdc.gov

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