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Seven more cases announced, first positive case confirmed in Banner County Panhandle total: 185, Active: 97, Recovered: 88

Unified Command confirms seven new cases, they are as follows:

County	Demographics	Exposure Type
Banner County	Female in her 30s	Close Contact
Box Butte County	Female in her 70s	Community Spread
Scotts Bluff County	Female in her 20s	Community Spread
Scotts Bluff County	Female in her 60s	Unknown
Scotts Bluff County	Female in her 60s	Close Contact
Scotts Bluff County	Female in her 70s	Community Spread
Scotts Bluff County	Male in his 40s	Unknown

Exposure is defined as at least 15 minutes, less than six feet apart. There are no community exposure sites identified. The investigations are complete, all close contacts will be quarantined and actively monitored twice daily for fever and respiratory symptoms by public health officials.

This past weekend, 66 tests were conducted at drive-thru testing in Oshkosh and 38 in Sidney. COVID-19 testing is now available at Community Action Health Center Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 7a-8a. Testing is open to those that are symptomatic. Sign up today https://tinyurl.com/Y8P6YU02.

March 2-June 8, 2020

Total Tests Conducted: 3,562

Positive: 185

Cumulative Positivity Rate: 5.1%

Recovered: 88
Active Cases: 97

Active Hospitalizations: 5

Total Cumulative Hospitalizations: 25

Deaths: 0

Banner County: 1 case (active)

Box Butte County: 3 cases (1 active, 2 recovered)
 Cheyenne County: 11 cases (2 active, 9 recovered)

Dawes County: 1 case (recovered)Garden County: 4 cases (active)

Kimball County: 10 cases (10 recovered)

Morrill County: 11 cases (1 active, 10 recovered)

Scotts Bluff County: 144 Cases (88 active, 56 recovered)

Panhandle Public Health District, Region 21, 22, and 23 Emergency Management, and Scotts Bluff County Health Department are working as a unified command on this evolving situation. Essential updates will be regularly communicated to the public and community partners.

For the most up to date information from the CDC, visit https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.

Panhandle Public Health District is working together to improve the health, safety, and quality of life for all who live, learn, work, and play in the Panhandle. Our vision is that we are a healthier and safer Panhandle Community. Visit our website www.pphd.org.