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The safety and well being of our residents remains our high priority. As your County Judge, I, along with our Presidio County Health Authority and Presidio County Emergency Management Coordinator, continue to coordinate with health and safety related measures regarding coronavirus (Covid19).

This announcement builds on the actions taken yesterday June 8th by the Department of State Health Services Regional Medical Director for Region 11 to ensure the prevention of the introduction, transmission and spread of the disease in this community.

Under the authority of the Texas Health and Safety Code 81.083 an order was issued to the person (name known only to Department of State Health Services) with reasonable cause to believe has tested positive for the presence of a communicable disease: novel coronavirus disease, known as COVID-19. The order included control measures that will remain in effect until the person is notified in writing that (1) the incubation period has passed, and (2) is no longer suspected of having the communicable disease or (3) has otherwise been notified by the Department of State Health Services. (Texas Health and Safety Code (81.083 d).

Any person having been notified of having this communicable disease and who does not comply with control measures given, may be subject to criminal prosecution under the Texas Health and Safety Code 81.087 or civil court proceedings under Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 81, Subchapter G, entitled Court orders for Management of Persons with communicable diseases.

This information is provided to you, the public, in response to the many phone calls or texts with concerns of suspected person (or persons) not complying with control measures. The only recourse for us in authority was to reach out to the Department of State Health Services Regional Medical Director. The above action was taken to address these issues at this time.

I urge all to continue to follow the CDC guidelines for the prevention and spread of the coronavirus.

May all stay safe and strong.
Cinderela Guevara
Presidio County Judge