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August 18, 2015

The Honorable Donald Segerstrom
Tuolumne County Superior Court
60 North Washington Street
Sonora, CA 95370

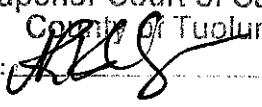
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Re: Response to Grand Jury Report – Jail

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Superior Court of California
County of Tuolumne

By:  Clerk

Dear Judge Segerstrom:

The following is offered in response to the 2014-2015 Grand Jury Report as it pertains to the Jail.

Grand Jury Findings

- F2.** The Grand Jury finds that signage from the courthouse locating the reporting entrance of the jail facility is inadequate and proper directions are not given to the defendant at the time of sentencing.

Response: Agree to the extent that an adequate system for directing defendants to the proper reporting location at the Jail needs to exist.

Grand Jury Recommendations

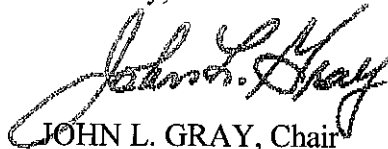
- R2.** The Grand Jury recommends that by December 31, 2015, the Board of Supervisors approve and the County install four new signs as follows:
- A) One sign on the corner of Washington and Yaney streets (visible from either direction on Washington Street), that says "JAIL" with the address and arrows pointing in the appropriate direction.

- B) One sign, measuring 20"x30", with lettering that is visible from 30 feet, on the front of the Tuolumne County Justice Building at 29 Lower Sunset directing persons around the corner to the Yaney Street entrance to the jail.
- C) One double-faced sign, hung perpendicular to Yaney Street, which clearly states this is the entrance to the jail.
- D) Install a sign in the lobby of the jail that clearly states "For Assistance or to Report to Jail Push Button" in no less than 3 inch letters and to make the button to call for assistance stand out by using the fluorescent color.

Response: The recommendation requires further analysis. The Board will direct staff to work with the Sheriff, other justice system partners and the City of Sonora in developing the best system of providing adequate direction to defendants as to where they are to report at the Jail. This system may involve some combination of paperwork provided to defendants at the time of sentencing and new and/or upgraded signage along the lines recommended by the Grand Jury. Development of a plan and action on same should be completed by no later than December 31, 2015.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the above finding and recommendation. Please feel free to contact the County Administrator Craig Pedro should you have any questions regarding same.

Sincerely,


JOHN L. GRAY, Chair
Board of Supervisors

cc: James Mele, Sheriff
Maureen Frank, Deputy County Administrator
Ed Hoag, Facilities Manager
Tim Miller, City Administrator

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