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July 22, 2009

The Honorable Cindee Mayfield, Presiding Judge Superior Court of California County of Mendocino Mendocino County Courthouse Ukiah, CA 95482

Re: Response to the 2008/2009 Grand Jury's Final Report: Bulging at the Seams: A Report on the Mendocino County Jail

Dear Judge Mayfield:

Enclosed is the Board of Supervisor's official response to the findings and recommendations, as specified within the above mentioned report. If applicable, the report may also include the responses provided from select County departments and their respective Grand Jury Response forms.

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors approved their response at their Board Meeting of July 21, 2009.

Sincerely,

Hunter Alexander

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Enclosures

cc: Grand Jury

Grand Jury Report

RESPONSE FORM

Grand Jury Report Title: Bulging at the Seams:

A Report on the Mendocino County Jail

Report Dated: May 24, 2009

Response Form Submitted By:

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors 501 Low Gap Road, Room 1070 Ukiah, CA 95482

Response MUST be submitted, per Penal Code §933.05, no later than: Aug 22, 2009

Required Responses (see final section of attached report):
Board of Supervisors (All Findings; All Recommendations)

I have reviewed the report and submit my responses to the <u>FINDINGS</u> portion of the report as follows:

I (we) agree with the Findings numbered:

1-5, and 7-19

I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the Findings numbered below, and have <u>attached</u>, as required, a statement specifying any portion of the Finding that are disputed with an explanation of the reasons therefore.

I have reviewed the report and submit my responses to the <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u> portion of the report as follows:

- The following Recommendation(s) have have been implemented and <u>attached, as required</u>, is a summary describing the implemented actions:
- The following Recommendation(s) have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, <u>attached</u>, <u>as required</u> is a time frame for implementation:

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GRAND JURY REPORT RESPONSE FORM PAGE TWO

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Grand Jury Report

RESPONSE FORM

Grand Jury Report Title: Bulging at the Seams:

A Report on the Mendocino County Jail

Report Dated: May 24, 2009

Response Form Submitted By:

Director Kristin McMenomey Mendocino County General Services Agency mcmenomk@co.mendocino.ca.us

Response MUST be submitted, per Penal Code §933.05, no later than: August 22, 2009

Required Responses (see final section of attached report):

Mendocino County General Services Agency (Findings 3, 6-7; and All Recommendations)

I have reviewed the report and submit my responses to the FINDINGS portion of the report as follows:

X I (we) agree with the Findings numbered:

I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the Findings numbered below, and have attached, as required, a statement specifying any portion of the Finding that are disputed with an explanation of the reasons therefore.

I have reviewed the report and submit my responses to the RECOMMENDATIONS portion of the report as follows:

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Printed Name: Kristin McMenomey			
Title:	General Services Agency Director		
Signed:	may Date: <u>6/8/09</u>		

THOMAS D. ALLMAN

Sheriff-Coroner



Undersheriff Gary Hudson

Captain Kurt O Smallcomb
Field Services
Captain Tim Pearce
Corrections

County of Mendocino Office Of The Sheriff-Coroner

June 24, 2009

Honorable Cindee Mayfield, Presiding Judge Superior Court of California County of Mendocino County Courthouse Ukiah,CA 95482

RE:

Response to Report of the May 24, 2009 Grand Jury

Bulging at the Seams

A Report on the Mendocino County Jail

Dear Judge Mayfield:

Attached and enclosed please find my responses to the Grand Jury's report entitled:

Bulging at the Seams

The Grand Jury requires me to respond to All Findings and Recommendations.

Findings

1. According to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation May 20, 2008 inspection report, some areas of the jail are overcrowded due to prisoner gender and classification. It currently houses 300 inmates. Review of the average daily census over a two year period found that the facility was consistently near its rated capacity, making it extremely difficult to appropriately house inmates based on their classification.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with the findings.

2. There were inmates sleeping on "stack-a-bunks" on the floor (a plastic frame with a mattress).

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with the findings.

Some floor tiles at the delivery station doorway and the adjacent drain were broken or missing. All of the broken or missing tiles are scheduled to be replaced by May 20, 2009.

Sheriffs Response:

The entire kitchen, office, warehouse and bathroom tile were replaced in May of 2009.

4. The kitchen staff will soon be using newly acquired bakery equipment in an area of the kitchen to bake bread daily. In addition to supplying the main jail facility, they will also provide baked goods for the Juvenile Hall and other detention facilities.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with the findings.

5. The current cost for baked goods for the jail exceeds \$30,000 annually. The equipment will pay for itself in three years.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with the findings.

6. The jail staff is short two sergeants, three correctional deputies, one Sheriff's service officer and a laundry supervisor. The only position allowed to be filled is the laundry supervisor. The current hiring freeze limits the filling of the other positions.

Sheriffs Response:

The Laundry Position has been filled as of May 2, 2009. Since the Grand Jury's review, four of the Sheriff's Services Technicians have been slated for layoffs.

7. The door lock system is prone to excessive wear. Minor repairs are made using limited parts on hand. All other repairs depend on receiving parts from a distant manufacturer. Delivery time is often excessive.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with the findings.

8. The copper plumbing is deteriorating throughout the jail and must continually be replaced.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with the findings.

9. There is a large, well-organized herb and vegetable garden maintained by the inmates and supervised by a contracted part-time employee.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with the findings.

10. A classroom is set up for study programs through which many inmates earn their GED.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with the findings.

11. Computers and computer instruction are available but there is no internet capability.

Sheriffs Response:

Educational material is available to sentenced inmates.

12. Classes are offered to teach conflict resolution, parenting and life skills, anger management and drug/alcohol recovery.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with findings.

13. There is no longer a law library at the jail. If an inmate has a legal question, they can send it out to a contracted firm where law students will research it and return an answer.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with findings.

14. There is a dentist on site once a week.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with findings.

15. There is medical staff on site seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with findings.

Prescription drugs are dispensed and taken under close monitoring by the medical staff.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with findings.

17. There is a Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division brochure describing all of the inmate services.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with findings. This brochure is given to each new inmate at the time of processing.

18. Inmate property is bagged but not inventoried at intake. Inventory of personal property is done during the booking process.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with findings.

19. Employee stress counseling is available. There is a minister available as well as a psychologist.

Sheriffs Response:

I agree with findings.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Grand Jury recommends that the Sheriff's Office:

1. repair and replace kitchen floor tiles (Finding 3)

Sheriffs Response:

These repairs were completed in May 2009.

2. research and identify the cause of the plumbing deterioration and, if found to be cost-effective, take steps to monitor and correct it. (Finding 8)

Sheriffs Response:

County Maintenance Staff have been advised.

Sincerely,

Thomas D.Allman

Sheriff-Coroner

cc: Finley Williams, Grand Jury Foreman

John Pinchess, Chair-Board of Supervisors Tom Mitchell, County CEO Jeanine Nadel, County Counsel

BULGING AT THE SEAMS

A Report on the Mendocino County Jail

May 24, 2009

Summary

The Grand Jury visited the Mendocino County Jail on March 26, 2009. Jurors found the jail to be overcrowded with inmates sleeping on "stack-a-bunks" (a plastic frame with a mattress) on the floor in some units. The buildings have deteriorating plumbing and problems with door locks often needing repair.

Many programs are available to the inmates including an opportunity to get their General Education Diploma (GED), basic adult education, introduction to computers, parenting and life skills, anger management and drug/alcohol recovery programs. Dental and medical care is available as needed.

Methods

The Grand Jury toured the holding cells at the Courthouse and also the County Jail Facility located on Low Gap Road in Ukiah. The Captain and other employees were interviewed.

Background

California Penal Code § 919 (b) states that The Grand Jury shall inquire into the conditions and management of the public prisons within the County.

Findings

 According to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation May 20, 2008 inspection report, some areas of the jail are overcrowded due to prisoner gender and classification. It currently houses 300 inmates. Review of the average daily census over a two year period found that the facility was consistently near its rated capacity, making it extremely difficult to appropriately house inmates based on their classification.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

There were inmates sleeping on "stack-a-bunks" on the floor (a plastic frame with a mattress).

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

 Some floor tiles at the delivery station doorway and the adjacent drain were broken or missing. All of the broken or missing tiles are scheduled to be replaced by May 20, 2009.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding. The entire kitchen, office, warehouse and bathroom tile were replaced in May of 2009.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding. The entire kitchen, office, warehouse and bathroom tile were replaced in May of 2009.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The entire kitchen, office, warehouse and bathroom tile were replaced in May of 2009.

Required Response: Director, Mendocino County General Services Agency

The General Services Agency Director agrees with this finding.

4. The kitchen staff will soon be using newly acquired bakery equipment in an area of the kitchen to bake bread daily. In addition to supplying the main jail facility, they will also provide baked goods for the Juvenile Hall and other detention facilities.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

5. The current cost for baked goods for the jail exceeds \$30,000 annually. The equipment will pay for itself in three years.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding, pending annual reporting over the next 3 years.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding, pending annual reporting over the next 3 years.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

6. The jail staff is short two sergeants, three correctional deputies, one Sheriff's service officer and a laundry supervisor. The only position allowed to be filled is the laundry supervisor. The current hiring freeze limits the filling of the other positions.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors disagrees partially with this finding. On April 7, 2009, the Board authorized 2 Corrections Deputies and 1 Laundry Supervisor positions to be filled. Subsequently, only the Laundry Supervisor position has been filled as of May 2, 2009. On June 9, 2009, the Board authorized lay-off of 4 Services Technicians per Sheriff budget-balancing plan.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer disagrees partially with this finding. On April 7, 2009, the Board authorized 2 Corrections Deputies and 1 Laundry Supervisor positions to be filled. Subsequently, only the Laundry Supervisor position has been filled as of May 2, 2009. On June 9, 2009, the Board authorized lay-off of 4 Services Technicians per Sheriff budget-balancing plan.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Laundry Position has been filled as of May 2, 2009. Since the Grand Jury's review, four of the Sheriff's Services Technicians have been slated for layoffs.

Required Response: Director, Mendocino County General Services Agency

The General Services Agency Director can neither agree or disagree with this finding as the General Services Agency Director has no internal knowledge of the Sheriff's staffing configurations.

7. The door lock system is prone to excessive wear. Minor repairs are made using limited parts on hand. All other repairs depend on receiving parts from a distant manufacturer. Delivery time is often excessive.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Director, Mendocino County General Services Agency

The General Services Agency Director agrees with this finding.

8. The copper plumbing is deteriorating throughout the jail and must continually be replaced.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

9. There is a large, well-organized herb and vegetable garden maintained by the inmates and supervised by a contracted part-time employee.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

10. A classroom is set up for study programs through which many inmates earn their GED.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

11. Computers and computer instruction are available but there is no internet capability.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding. Educational material is available to sentenced inmates.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding. Educational material is available to sentenced inmates.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

Educational material is available to sentenced inmates.

12. Classes are offered to teach conflict resolution, parenting and life skills, anger management and drug/alcohol recovery.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

13. There is no longer a law library at the jail. If an inmate has a legal question, they can send it out to a contracted firm where law students will research it and return an answer.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

14. There is a dentist on site once a week.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

15. There is medical staff on site seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

16. Prescription drugs are dispensed and taken under close monitoring by the medical staff.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

17. There is a Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division brochure describing all of the inmate services.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding. This brochure is given to each new inmate at the time of processing.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

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Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

I agree with findings. This brochure is given to each new inmate at the time of processing.

18. Inmate property is bagged but not inventoried at intake. Inventory of personal property is done during the booking process.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

19. Employee stress counseling is available. There is a minister available as well as a psychologist.

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer:

The Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer agrees with this finding.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

The Mendocino County Sheriff agrees with this finding.

Recommendations

The Grand Jury recommends that the Sheriff's Office:

1. repair and replace kitchen floor tiles (Finding 3)

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

This recommendation has been implemented and was completed on May 22, 2009

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive's Office:

This recommendation has been implemented and was completed on May 22, 2009

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

These repairs were completed in May 2009.

Required Response: Director, Mendocino County General Services Agency

This recommendation has been implemented and was completed on May 22, 2009; however, with the recent and upcoming layoffs within the General Services Agency it will become increasingly more difficult to dedicate maintenance staff to all County facilities.

2. research and identify the cause of the plumbing deterioration and, if found to be cost-effective, take steps to monitor and correct it. (Finding 8)

Required Response: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

This recommendation has not been implemented. It is anticipated that the General Services Agency will research and identify the cause of the plumbing deterioration by October 1, 2009. The time-frame to monitor and correct it is unknown as that will depend upon a cost effective approach and funding source to be identified.

Required Response: Mendocino County Chief Executive's Office:

This recommendation has not been implemented. It is anticipated that the General Services Agency will research and identify the cause of the plumbing deterioration by October 1, 2009. The time-frame to monitor and correct it is unknown as that will depend upon a cost effective approach and funding source to be identified.

Required Response: Mendocino County Sheriff:

County Maintenance Staff have been advised.

Required Response: Director, Mendocino County General Services Agency

This recommendation has not been implemented. It is anticipated that the General Services Agency will research and identify the cause of the plumbing deterioration by October 1, 2009. The time-frame to monitor and correct it is unknown as that will depend upon a cost effective approach and funding source to be identified. With the recent and upcoming layoffs within the General Services Agency it will become increasingly more difficult to dedicate maintenance staff to all County facilities.

Discussion

The Grand Jury encourages continuing the long range plans for a new County facility that would be a combined justice center including the Courts, Jail, Juvenile Hall, Sheriff's Office, District Attorney, Public Defender and Grand Jury office. This consolidation is intended to be highly beneficial to county operations and its taxpayers.

Required Responses

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors (All Findings; All Recommendations)

Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer (All Findings; All Recommendations)

Mendocino County Sheriff (All Findings; All Recommendations)

Director, Mendocino County General Services Agency (Findings 3, 6-7; All Recommendations)