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TITLE:  Madera County Department of Public Health Confirms COVID-19 Related Death

Madera County Department of Public Health (MCDPH) reported one COVID-related death of a Madera County resident, the third death reported this week. This brings the total number of COVID-related deaths to 8. This most recent death is a male in his 50s who had underlying health conditions. On July 3, 2020 after experiencing symptoms he went to the emergency room at Madera Community Hospital where he was tested and pronounced deceased on the same day. His test results were received Wednesday, July 8, 2020. The source of transmission is unknown.

“Our condolences to the family. It’s important that everyone is aware of the symptoms of COVID-19. These include fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, and new loss of taste or smell. When you have symptoms, regardless of how mild, assume you may have COVID, isolate from others including your family, get tested, and do not wait seek medical care for severe symptoms,” said Madera County Public Health Officer Dr. Paul.

Madera County continues to recommend that residents follow local and state guidance including the mandate to wear a mask and the recommendation to stay home when sick, social distance, wash your hands, and sanitize surfaces.

For more tips and information about COVID-19, visit the Madera County Department of Public Health webpage at www.maderacounty.com/covid19 and for full statistics visit the Madera County Dashboard which can also be found on the Madera County COVID-19 website.

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