



MAKAH TRIBE

COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESPONSE

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Follow-up in regards to National Fish Hatchery contractor that tested positive for COVID-19

On October 27, 2020, the Sophie Trettevick Indian Health Center publicized the following: "An out of town National Fish Hatchery worker tested positive for COVID-19. The worker arrived at Neah Bay, WA, on October 20, and stayed at a Hobuck Beach Resort cabin, and left the following day. On October 23, the worker began to experience COVID-19 symptoms. Out of an abundance of caution, the only community members in close contact with this worker are in quarantine and tested negative."

Throughout the contractor's visit, the National Fish Hatchery took precautions and followed Public Health Protocols. Upon notification of the contractor testing positive for COVID-19, the National Fish Hatchery immediately followed protocols; eleven staff and their contacts were tested and went into voluntary quarantine. All contacts tested negative and are out of quarantine.

The CDC recommends testing when there are:

- People who have symptoms of COVID-19.
- People who have had close contact (within 6 feet for a total of 15 minutes or more) with someone with confirmed COVID-19.
- People who have been asked or referred to get testing by their healthcare provider or state health department.

With initial and responsive precautions, the National Fish Hatchery staff contained this isolated case and prevented the spread of COVID-19 in the community. Thank you to the National Fish Hatchery!

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