

**DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
PINE GROVE YOUTH CONSERVATION CAMP**

13630 Aqueduct Volcano Road
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January 7, 2021

The Honorable Renee C. Day, Presiding Judge
Amador County Superior Court
500 Argonaut Lane
Jackson, California 95642

RE: 2019-2020 Amador County Grand Jury Report

The Amador County Grand Jury inspected Pine Grove Youth Conservation Camp (PGYCC) on December 5, 2019. Pursuant to Penal Code 933.05, I am required to respond to this Grand Jury report. During the inspection, they took an extensive tour of the facility and interviewed PGYCC staff as well as other youth and me. In their report, they made four findings and two recommendations.

FINDINGS:

- F1: All the questions presented by the Grand Jury were answered professionally and in detail during the preliminary briefing by the Superintendent and staff.
- I agree with the finding.
- F2: PGYCC produced a digital presentation explaining the function of the facility, its service to the community, and opportunities provided to wards upon successful completion of the program.
- I agree with the finding.
- F3: The kitchen and dining areas need repainting and ceiling tiles need replacement.
- I agree with the finding.
- F4: Approximately \$100,000 has been budgeted for these repairs which must be performed during the non-fire season that varies from year to year.
- I agree with the finding.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- R1: We recommend PGYCC continue to run this unique and beneficial program for youthful offenders [F1, F2]
- I agree with the finding.
- R2: We recommend the maintenance to the kitchen and dining areas take place as soon as possible and practical [F3, F4]
- Since the Grand Jury visit, the kitchen underwent a thorough and complete remodel.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me (209) 296-7581.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Liptrap". The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

Jim Liptrap
Superintendent
Pine Grove Youth Conservation Camp