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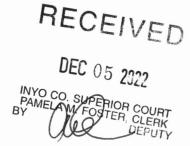
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Honorable Judge Stephan M. Place Inyo County Superior Court PO Box 401 Independence, CA 93526

Judge Stephan M. Place,



I am in receipt of the most recent Grand Jury Report and have reviewed the findings related to fire inspections and the local educational agencies in Inyo County. I appreciate the work of the Grand Jury and I would like to highlight some significant changes and actions that will be taking place by the Inyo County Office of Education and the school districts within Inyo County:

- 1. All School District Superintendents' have been informed of the requirement to have yearly fire inspections on all school campuses.
- 2. This requirement has been added to each district safety plan, which shall be reviewed by October 1st of each school year at each school district.
- 3. The Inyo County Superintendent of Schools will receive annual confirmation from each district that safety plans have been reviewed and fire inspections have been completed.
- 4. At a future Superintendent's Council Meeting, we shall review options for our districts, as it relates to finding individuals qualified to complete reviews/inspections. A discussion will take place about the potential of contracting with an entity to serve this function for the entire county.
- 5. It is the responsibility of each local school district to comply with all Health and Safety regulations and we take this responsibility extremely seriously.

Again, I appreciate the work of the Inyo County Grand Jury and the opportunity to make comments on their most recent report. Should I need to take any further action or more discussion is required on this matter, please contact me at the Inyo County Office of Education at 760-873-3262.

Barry D. Simpson

Sincerely

Inyo County Superintendent of Schools