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NEARLY 400 COVID-19 TESTS PROCESSED AT DRIVE THROUGH TEST SITE LAST WEEK

STERLING - A total of 384 people participated in the mobile COVID-19 test site held for three days last week, Sept. 29-Oct. 1, at the Logan County Fairgrounds.

The event was organized by Emergency Manager Jerry Casebolt with the Logan County Office of Emergency Management. Tests were conducted by the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment's (CDPHE) Rapid Testing Team with assistance from the Colorado National Guard.

The results revealed that out of the total 384 tests that were administered, 359 were negative and 25 were positive.

"I think the testing was a good success for the community," said Casebolt. "This was held as an opportunity for the public to come out and get tested even if they didn't have symptoms but were curious if they were infected with the virus. It was also an opportunity for Logan County to help show the governor and CDPHE that we are aware of our recent increases in rates and we provided the testing to get a better look at the whole community, rather than focusing on the numbers from recent outbreaks.

"For the short time of testing that was provided," Casebolt added, "we had a good turnout."

The resulting numbers are in the ball park of recent stats for Logan County, and will be added into the health department's data for the county. Casebolt noted that the Northeast Colorado Health Department has begun their normal contact tracing procedures on last week's results.

Casebolt extended his appreciation to those who assisted with the mobile test site: Chrystal Wollerman, Marilee Johnson, Michelle Huell, Don Saling, Kellie Polenz, Theresa Koehler, Joy Batt, Morgan Lulf, Mary Brumage, and Kylee Harless.

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