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E. G. Prieto, Sheriff-Coroner
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Dear Sheriff Prieto,

I am writing to you as a Yolo County resident and President of the Yolo-CGJA, a chapter of the California Grand Jurors' Association, composed of Yolo County residents who are previous grand jury members. Our goals are to support the grand jury system and promote government accountability. One of our tasks is to follow up on prior grand jury recommendations.

The following pertains to the 2014-15 Grand Jury report on the Monroe Detention and Leinberger Memorial Centers. You responded to recommendations indicating intent to take action. Although implementation might have occurred, the public at large and succeeding grand juries are not aware of it.

In its report, the Yolo County Grand Jury recommendation **R2** was:

“By June 1, 2016, the Detention Commander, in conjunction with the Chief Probation Officer, shall develop and implement a plan to track the effectiveness of discharge planning and in-house programs as they apply to inmates who successfully complete probation.”

Here is your response to recommendation R2:

“The Sheriff’s Office obtained grant funding during FY 2014-2015 to hire a Social Worker whose duties are to evaluate all programs provided to inmates within the Yolo County Jail system. The Detention Commander and the Social Worker will work with Probation to implement a tracking system by June 1, 2016, for those inmates that leave custody and successfully complete their probation.”

In addition, the Yolo County Grand Jury recommendation **R4** was:

“By January 1, 2016, the Detention Commander shall identify any deficiencies in the surveillance systems and, in conjunction with the Board of Supervisors, take the necessary steps to remedy the deficiencies.”

Here is your response to recommendation R4:

“The Sheriff has directed the Detention Commander to correct any deficiencies in the surveillance system and other security systems within the jail. A Task Force of Correctional Officers, Correctional Sergeants and a Correctional Lieutenant was formed and have identified cameras to be replaced and those to be enhanced. This year, 18 cameras have been replaced and the installation of a Pan-Tilt-Zoom (PTZ) will be completed by 8/1/15. A complete upgrade of the system is being designed to include the additional areas affected by the upcoming remodel and expansion.”

Please provide us with a specific update with respect to progress on this grand jury recommendation.

We would appreciate your response by August 31, 2016. You may send your response electronically to: Barbara Sommer at [cgjayolo@gmail.com](mailto:cjayolo@gmail.com). Please note that we will share this letter and your response with the current Yolo County Grand Jury, the advising judge, and the public.

Sincerely,

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