

DIVISION OF ADULT INSTITUTIONS

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December 19, 2013

Presiding Judge
Madera County Superior Court
209 West Yosemite Avenue
Madera, CA 93637

Presiding Judge:

This is in response to the letter from Jim Haze, Foreperson, 2013-2014 Madera County Grand Jury, dated November 6, 2013, regarding the 2013-2014 Madera County Grand Jury Report on Central California Women's Facility (CCWF). In accordance with California Penal Code 933.05(a) and (b), CCWF must respond to any Findings and Recommendation noted in the 2013-2014 Madera County Grand Jury Report.

Findings:

"CCWF Fire Department houses three fire trucks under cover. The station house lacks the garage space to keep the fourth fire truck #350 which is used for VSP and CCWF facility fire emergencies."

Recommendations:

"A large protective vehicle canopy be purchased for the CCWF Fire Department for fire truck #350 which is kept outside and subjected to the elements. Replacement value of the fire truck would be in excess of \$400,000."

Central California Women's Facility's Response:

Although CCWF agrees with the Madera County Grand Jury, at this time, CCWF does not have the budget constraints to purchase a large protective vehicle canopy for fire truck #350. However, this matter is of great concern and therefore will be reviewed at the next budget cycle.

We look forward to the next opportunity to share CCWF with your members. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me or your staff may contact V. Carr, Administrative Assistant/Public Information Officer, at (559) 665-5531, extension 5000 or 6002, respectively.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D. K. Johnson".

D. K. JOHNSON
Warden

c: Madera County Grand Jury, P. O. Box 534, Madera, CA 93639
Jay Virbel, Associate Director, Female Offender Programs and Services/Special Housing