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## Calhoun County Sees First COVID-19 Positive Case

**Parkersburg, WV May 15, 2020** – The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department (MOVHD) announces that after months of no COVID-19 cases, Calhoun county had its first positive case today. Wood county added two new positive COVID-19 cases to bring the total positive cases for the county to 48.

Cases remain the same in the other four counties of the Mid-Ohio Valley region. Roane county has 8 positive cases, Wirt county has 3, Pleasants county with 2, and Ritchie county has 1.

We all are anxious for this re-opening to continue, and it is only by all of us using physical distancing and wearing a mask will it continue. A recent study shows that the droplets from an infected individual can stay in the air for 14 minutes. Wearing a face mask or covering, reduces the risk of contamination. Stay vigilant with not touching your face and washing hands or sanitizing often.

Links for more information are available at <a href="www.movhd.com">www.cdc.gov</a> (COVID banner) or <a href="www.wv.gov">www.wv.gov</a> (COVID-19 tab). Operators are available 24/7 at the toll-free West Virginia Coronavirus hotline at 1-800-887-4304 to provide accurate information about COVID-19, the risk to the public, and the state's response.

PLEASE PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS -> STAY SAFE and KEEP OTHERS SAFE.

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