

2011-2012 GRAND JURY

JUR-2011-2012-003

REPORT

Trinity County Conservation
Camp

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TRINITY COUNTY

Board of Supervisors

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TO: The Honorable James P. Woodward,
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court

FROM: Trinity County Board of Supervisors,
Anton R. Jaegel, Chairman *ARJ*

CC: Clerk of the Board
Foreperson, Grand Jury

SUBJECT: Response to Recommendations of 2011-12
Grand Jury Judicial Committee JUR 2011/2012-003
Final Report

DATE: September 4th, 2012

The Grand Jury Judicial Committee has requested a written response to their final report on the Trinity River Conservation Camp. The Board's response is as follows:

Finding #1: *The Camp was found to be clean, neat and well managed. The rehabilitation rate is outstanding in returning inmates as productive members of society.*

Response: Agree.

Recommendation #1: *Keep up the good work.*

Response: Agree.

Finding #2: *Trinity County receives a number of very valuable services from this Camp, not the least of which is fire protection.*

Response: Agree

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Recommendation #2: *The Board of Supervisors should do everything in their power to insure the continuance of the Camp in our county.*

Response: Has been implemented. The Board of Supervisors will continue to support the Conservation Camp, especially in Lewiston. Attached is the agenda where a County Supervisor testified at a Senate hearing in Sacramento in support of keeping and expanding the Conservation Camps in California.

Finding #3: *There is a question as to the preservation of the Conservation Camp System because of the decline in inmate population brought about AB109.*

Response: Agree.

Recommendation #3: *The Board of Supervisors and the Sheriff should work with the Department of Corrections to find a mutually beneficial solution.*

Response: Has been implemented. Continuous work is being done by the Community Corrections Partnership, along with Probation, Sheriff, and the Board of Supervisors, to work out a viable financial solution for use of the Camps by Trinity County. At the moment, the county, not the Department of Corrections or Cal Fire, has to bear all medical costs of our participants. We are working with and through Regional Council of Rural Counties, California State Association of Counties, and Sheriff's Associations, to work with the Department of Corrections to find a reasonable solution.

We, too, do not want to see a decline in the number of inmates, as these camps provide some of the best rehabilitation along with providing so many services to Trinity County.