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## **Hood County COVID-19 Interim Update - 6-11-2020, 6 PM**

According to Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Hood County has a total of 34 confirmed positive COVID-19 cases. Three new cases have been locally reported since Tuesday and are currently under investigation with DSHS. With these three new cases, we are following nine active cases of COVID-19. Sources of transmission for the new cases is unconfirmed at this time. There have been no further COVID-related deaths reported.

Since we began testing in Hood County in late March, 41 COVID-19 PCR swab tests have been positive (some repeated on the same person), 1973 have been negative, and 54 are awaiting results. We have a 2% positive test rate (41 positive tests out of 2014 resulted).

With fewer than ten active cases in Hood County, Judge Massingill has requested and has obtained permission to open certain county businesses up to 75% capacity through the attestation process described at the DSHS "Open Texas" website.

<https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/opentexas.aspx>

My risk assessment for Hood County has not changed. I believe we remain at Substantial Risk of COVID-19 transmission, with more positive cases documented locally every week, and with transmission increasing across the country as communities leave isolation. Every resident should continue to follow "Open Texas" guidelines and make their best decision to protect themselves, their families and businesses as we continue to Open Texas.