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July 12, 2010

Hon. Steven J. Howell, Presiding Judge
c/o Court Administration
Superior Court of California, County of Butte
One Court Street
Oroville, CA 95965

Dear Judge Howell:

As Butte County Superintendent of Schools, I am pleased to respond to the 2009-10 Grand Jury Report as requested. My response below is related to the section of the Grand Jury Report involving the Butte County Juvenile Hall.

Finding F2

Table Mountain School operates for the benefit of juveniles who are mainstreamed back into the public school system or are able to achieve their GED or graduate.

Response

I agree with the finding.

Recommendation R2

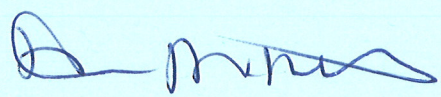
Table Mountain School is essential and must continue to operate in Juvenile Hall.

Response

I agree with the recommendation. I am pleased to be able to operate Table Mountain School in the Butte County Juvenile Hall. My office enjoys a very good working relationship with the Chief Probation Officer, the Superintendent of Juvenile Hall and the Juvenile Hall staff. We are pleased to be a small part of the work they do for juveniles in Butte County.

Please feel free to contact me if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,



Don McNelis
Butte County Superintendent of Schools

Cc: John Wardell, Chief Probation Officer
Brian Anderson, Superintendent of Butte County Juvenile Hall
Steve Olmos, Assistant Superintendent of Butte County Office of Education
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