

May 16, 2022

Dr. Adolfo Gonzales, Chief Probation Officer
Los Angeles County Probation Department
1601 Eastlake Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90033

SUBJECT: OCCUPANCY OF CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL

Dear Chief Gonzales:

We are aware that the probation department is planning on moving youth from Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall back to the Central Juvenile Hall, beginning with a small group on Wednesday, May 18, 2022.

While the original reinspection of the facility for a determination of suitability was scheduled for March 14, 2022, that date was vacated due to the move of youth housed at Central Juvenile Hall to the Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile hall during the week of 3/14/22 and the subsequent suspension of operations at Central Juvenile Hall.

The Board is obligated to reinspect the Central Juvenile Hall for compliance with the remaining outstanding items of noncompliance:

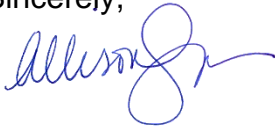
- § 1328, Safety Checks (based on October 15, 2021 notice of noncompliance)
- § 1354.5, Room Confinement (based on October 15, 2021 and February 8, 2022 notice of noncompliance)
- § 1371, Programs, Recreation, and Exercise (based on February 8, 2022 notice of noncompliance)

We intend to conduct a preliminary reinspection on May 23, 2022 to determine whether the county is in compliance with the above regulations. Once the facility is occupied at population levels similar to those prior to the transfer of youth to Barry J. Nidorf, we intend to conduct a follow up reinspection on a date to be determined. To that end, please provide your intended phased return schedule in writing, including the dates and numbers of youth you plan to phase in, the services that will be provided, the intended census of the facility, and the anticipated final date when all remaining Central Juvenile Hall youth are transferred from Barry J. Nidorf.

Once we have received this information, we will schedule the reinspection(s). We will also schedule the determination of suitability pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 209, which we anticipate will occur at the next scheduled BSCC board meeting on June 9, 2022.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



ALLISON GANTER
Deputy Director

cc:

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Honorable Akemi Arakaki, Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court

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