



Office of the Mayor
Tommy Sloan

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This morning Coleman County Judge Billy Bledsoe was informed that the first positive case of COVID-19 in the county was confirmed on Friday, April 24, 2020.

The individual resides in Coleman County, works outside of Coleman County, and had been exposed to an individual with COVID-19. This individual and members of the immediate household were immediately quarantined. The other family members are asymptomatic, (showing no symptoms).

At this time, no additional information is available regarding the patient. Weeks ago we informed our Residents that it was only a matter of time before our first case arrived in Coleman. The fact that it has taken us this long to arrive at this juncture is impressive and supports the theory that the recommendations from the CDC do work. *We must remain vigilant in our efforts to continue taking common sense precautions by continuing to practice social distancing, frequent hand washing, and using face masks.*

As our State begins the process of safely and incrementally opening up our economy, I urge you not to underestimate the potential for exposure in public places. The goal of this community, is to continue to “Slow the spread of COVID-19”. We are asking residents to be respectful, and compassionate towards one another during this time. Please be smart, remain calm, and be kind to others. It may be that you are not worried about the virus itself, but please still use preventative measures so you don’t pass the virus on to someone else who might suffer greatly if they fall ill.

Please be safe, and healthy. Your voluntary compliance is sincerely requested.

Respectfully,
Tommy Sloan
Mayor

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