July 14, 2026

Chris Clark, Sheriff-Coroner
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office
5200 Soquel Avenue
Santa Cruz, CA 95062

2025-2026 UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION, PENAL CODE SECTION 6031, WELFARE & INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 209, SANTA CRUZ DETENTION FACILITIES

Dear Sheriff Clark:

An Unannounced Inspection of the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office was completed for the following facilities on Tuesday, April 14, 2026:

FACILITY NAME	BSCC #	FACILITY TYPE
Rehabilitation and Reentry (R&R) Facility	5300	II
Rountree Facility	5310	II

These inspections were conducted pursuant to Penal Code Section 6031 to determine compliance with the Minimum Standards for Local Detention Facilities as outlined in Titles 15 and 24, California Code of Regulations.

INSPECTION RESULTS

The focus of the Unannounced Inspection was to evaluate continued compliance with the following California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 15 regulation: Section 1027.5 - Safety Checks.

The inspection consisted of a site visit, conversations with facility staff, and a documentation review of a random sample of safety check logs from the Rountree and R&R facilities.

We identified no items of noncompliance with Title 15 Minimum Standards. Refer to the attached Procedures Checklist for detailed information.

An Exit Briefing with your staff was held on Thursday, April 16, 2026; BSCC staff presented an inspection overview and discussed technical assistance and best practice recommendations.

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Please email me at rob.gardner@bscc.ca.gov or call (916) 846-4604 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

ROBERT GARDNER

ROBERT GARDNER
Field Representative
Facilities Standards and Operations Division

Enclosures

Cc: Presiding Judge, Santa Cruz County Superior Court*
Chair, Grand Jury, Santa Cruz County*
Chair, Board of Supervisors, Santa Cruz County*
County Administrator, Santa Cruz County*
Socorro Luna, Lieutenant, Santa Cruz Sheriff's Office
Cesar Ramirez, Lieutenant, Santa Cruz Sheriff's Office

**Copies of the inspection are available upon request or online at www.bscc.ca.gov.*