
Responses to the Fail in the Jail: No Lights, No Camera, No Action

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Good morning,

Please see the responses to the Fail in the Jail: No Lights, No Camera, No Action attachment.

Thank you,

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Santa Cruz County Civil Grand Jury
701 Ocean Street Room 318-I
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RE: Fail in the Jail: No Lights, No Camera, No Action?

The following are the Sheriff's Office responses:

- F1: **DISAGREE:** The Sheriff's Office (SO) and the General Services Department (GSD) maintain a long-standing agreement and are aware of our respective roles and responsibilities relating to power operations within the correctional facilities.
- F3: **PARTIALLY DISAGREE:** The SO had previously requested this work to be completed by the GSD.
- F4: **DISAGREE:** The SO and the GSD meet monthly to discuss the status of all on-going jail projects.
- F5: **AGREE:** The SO had previously requested this work to be completed by the GSD.
- F6: **DISAGREE:** The SO's response during a power emergency within a correctional facility is to notify management via the chain of command and to notify GSD.
- F7: **DISAGREE:** The SO identified key emergency power needs and elevated that concern to GSD management prior to this incident.
- F8: **DISAGREE:** The SO maintains many policies and procedures relating to risk management.
- R1: **WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTED:** The SO and GSD will continue to meet monthly to coordinate and manage the status of emergency power operations.
- R2: **WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTED:** The SO is responsible for the safety

and security of the staff and inmates within the correctional facilities. GSD is responsible for facility maintenance for all county owned facilities including the four jails.

- R3: **HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED:** The SO and GSD currently meet monthly to discuss the status of all jail projects. The Sheriff and/or his designee routinely meet with the County Administrative Officer and/or his designee to discuss major projects.
- R4: **WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTED:** The SO currently maintains documentation showing on-going routine maintenance and compliance. This material can be made available to the CAO upon request.
- R5: **WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTED:** The SO currently maintains policies relating to escalation of critical issues. The SO will continue to meet monthly with the GSD.

Respectively,



Mitchell Medina, Undersheriff