To: Honorable Judge David W. Reed  
Superior Court of California, County of Yolo  
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Honorable Judge Reed:

The following is the response to the findings and recommendations in the 2018-2019 Yolo County Grand Jury Report titled, “The Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System – A Watershed Moment” from the Yolo County Board of Supervisors and Health and Human Service Agency.

F4 The DMC-ODS requirements caused most Yolo County providers to add additional medical and clerical staff, and a significant investment in time.

Response: The respondents agree with the finding.

F5 The DMC-ODS requirements proved burdensome and difficult for SUD providers, with some providers opting not to participate, thereby diminishing the number of providers in Yolo County.

Response: The respondents agree with the finding.

F6 Although Yolo County providers for the DMC-ODS were able to contact HHSA with questions, there is still no dedicated staff member to assist the providers.

Response: The respondents agree with the finding.
R1  By January 1, 2020, Yolo County Health and Human Services should designate or add a full time staff person to support and assist current and future providers of DMC-ODS.

Response: This recommendation has been implemented. The Health and Human Services Agency requested an additional position in their 2019-20 budget, which was approved by the Board of Supervisors, that will support and assist current and future providers of DMC-ODS services.

R2  By January 1, 2020, Yolo County Health and Human Services should identify more in-county service providers so that residents need not travel out of the county for care.

Response: This recommendation has been implemented. The Health and Human Services Agency recently brought an additional provider to West Sacramento to provide Medication Assisted Treatment for those struggling with opiate addiction. Additionally, the agency is actively pursuing avenues to bring additional residential and/or detoxification providers to Yolo County.