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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM ANETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

The Aneth Judicial District is resuming essential services at its court house in Aneth, Utah, effective July 28, 2020. No in-person services are being provided by the Aneth Judicial District as the exterior doors to all Navajo Nation Judicial Branch facilities are locked for the safety of employees and the public.

The Aneth District Court may be contacted by email, fax, telephone or through U.S. mail. The contact information for the Aneth court is as follows:

P. O. Box 320, Montezuma Creek, UT 84534

Telephone: (435) 651-3545

Fax: (435) 651-3546

Email: anethcourt@navajo-nsn.gov

The Court is accepting all filings by email, fax or mail. Filings may also be left in the drop box outside the Court.

To file by email, email documents as PDF files to: anethcourt@navajo-nsn.gov. After doing so, call the Court at (435) 651-3545 to verify your email address and confirm receipt of your document. Emails may be lost in the Navajo Nation's spam filters if not verified. Documents filed with the Court by email outside Court hours will be received the next Court day during normal Court hours (Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Please make sure all documents are signed.

For scheduled court hearings, call the Aneth District Court before the scheduled hearing to confirm that it is taking place and for instructions on how to appear by telephone. Individuals who have legal counsel should communicate with them before calling the Court.

All scheduled hearings will be held by teleconference or other electronic means. If you have any questions, please contact the Court.

Essential services include hearings pertaining to the following types of cases:

- All criminal proceedings concerning an incarcerated defendant (i.e., arraignment, bail hearings, revocation hearings, etc.)

- All proceedings concerning detained juveniles, abused or neglected minors (i.e., shelter care hearings);
- Habeas corpus actions;
- Involuntary commitment hearings (i.e., mental health commitments, guardianships, and other civil commitments);
- Extraditions and federal detainees;
- Order to Show Cause proceedings;
- Applications for orders of protection and matters of enforcement;
- Applications for injunctive relief; and
- Proceedings that are essential to the public health state of emergency.

To pay any fine or fee, mail a money order payable to the “Navajo Nation” to: Aneth District Court, P.O. Box 320, Montezuma Creek, UT 84534. Include citation/court document and contact information. All fines or fees mailed will be processed as received on the postmarked date.

A downloadable “Application for Protection from Domestic Abuse and Service of Process” is available on the Navajo Nation Courts website at www.navajocourts.org. If there are any issues, please contact the Court for assistance. After filing a Petition for a Protection Order, call the Aneth District Court to confirm receipt of your Petition.

If an emergency protection order is needed on a weekend or holiday, please contact the local police department for assistance.

The Court reminds the public that there are a limited number of staff working at the Court in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and asks for patience during this time as the Court continues to offer essential services during the public health emergency. For any questions or more information, please contact the Court at (435) 651-3545 or anethcourt@navajo-nsn.gov. For the latest information and announcements, please visit www.navajocourts.org.

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