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SHIGELLA OUTBREAK UPDATE

Santa Clara County, CA: As of Thursday night (November 5, 2015) the number of outbreak-associated cases of Shigella reported to Santa Clara County Public Health Department (SCCPHD) now stands at 194; 155 of these cases are in Santa Clara County residents and 39 reported cases are in people who live in other counties. Of the 194 total cases, 111 are lab confirmed; 89 of which are in Santa Clara County residents. There are 22 confirmed cases in other jurisdictions, including Alameda, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Marin, and Merced counties. Nearly all of the cases reported that they ate at Mariscos San Juan #3 restaurant on Friday October 16th or Saturday October 17th.

Shigella is extremely contagious. People with diarrhea must not work, especially food service workers, healthcare providers, and childcare workers. Careful, frequent hand washing is extremely important in preventing the continued spread of the outbreak.

We will continue to provide updates about the outbreak on our Website until further notice:
www.sccphd.org.

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