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"I appreciate the work of the West Virginia Testing Assessment Project (WV TAP)," Dr. Letitia Tierney, Commissioner of the West Virginia Bureau for Public Health and State Health Officer, said. "The testing results reported today are reassuring."

"The core mission of the Bureau for Public Health is the health, safety and well-being of all West Virginians. The Bureau for Public Health embraces the values of community, science and evidenced-based decision. The Bureau has been actively engaged in this event since day one and we will continue to be ever vigilant.

We have moved from a response to a recovery phase. Today's results reassure me that we are on the correct path."