

The public needs reliable data.

The Routt county COVID-19 dashboard has not been updated in 10 days. However, the timeline on the charts continues to progress, making it appear we have defeated COVID-19.

I understand you are understaffed and I read the excuses that were published today and I don't think it is comforting to the community.

Residents are trying to make decisions concerning their life based upon this information and the fact that one single person's absence can cause the reporting to break down is unacceptable.

Your responsibility as a steward of this data has been a failure. It would be responsible to have more than one person doing this reporting.

We may need redundancy in many areas if the infection is allowed to continue to grow in our community. It would be best if we were preparing for more staff to be able to complete tasks and have secondary personnel ready to go so the most important information is continuing to be provided to the public.

Please make it a priority to provide accurate and timely information to the public. Even the 2 days per week reporting should be considered unacceptable to make daily health decisions.

With our population less than 25k we are clearly over DOUBLE the counts for us to enter "protect our neighbors" phase. Even without last weeks cases.

--Dave