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**BUTTE COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL SHUTS DOWN CONCOW PUPPY MILL**  
*95 Dogs sheltered at local SPCA*

OROVILLE, CA – On Wednesday, January 3, 2018, Butte County Animal Control (BCAC) seized 95 malamute dogs from a home in Concow. The dogs were seized under the California Animal Cruelty Law base on poor living conditions and inappropriate confinement. 70 puppies and 25 adult dogs were taken to the Northwest SPCA in Oroville for sheltering, evaluation and treatment. **Until the dogs are medically cleared, they are not viewable or adoptable to the public.**

To assist in the treatment and adoption of such a large number of dogs, a majority of the dogs will be fostered out and released to rescue organizations throughout the State. A handful of dogs will remain at the SPCA and be available for adoption in approximately one month. Residents interested in adoption should refer to the SPCA website: [www.nwspca.org](http://www.nwspca.org).

BCAC and SPCA are requesting that residents refrain from calling about the dogs. The SPCA website will be updated once the dogs are available for adoption. If you would like to assist the SPCA, they are in need of puppy food, blankets, and monetary donations. Donations may be dropped off at the SPCA, located at 2787 South 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Oroville. Monetary donations can be made online at: [www.nwspca.org/donate.html](http://www.nwspca.org/donate.html).

BCAC was notified about the puppy mill by a concerned resident. BCAC, along with the Northern Valley Animal Disaster Group, responded to the call and worked together to transport the dogs to the SPCA.

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