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The Comanche Nation Administration is aware of a recent Facebook post claiming there are no working restrooms available for employees and that staff are being placed in unsafe conditions. We would like to clarify the situation and address any concerns:

1. Temporary Water Issue

- A water main break, north of the headquarters, caused no water pressure in our facilities yesterday evening after 5:00 pm. To ensure restroom availability, we brought in portable toilets, as a precautionary measure while the water pressure was being restored last night for our residents who live or work on property 24/7.
- This morning the water pressure was still low but we have running water. The portable potties were still accessible, if needed. The handicap portable toilet was brought in to be used for precautionary measures as well.

2. Essential Services Remain Open

- We provide 24/7 services for residents in our CRYIS, New Pathways, Women's Shelter, Prevention & Recovery, and Law Enforcement programs. These portable toilets were needed for these areas as a temporary use until the water main break was fixed.

3. Many of our tribal members also face ongoing challenges with extreme temperatures — such as limited heat, water, or electricity—and rely on our continued operations. Shutting down is simply not an option, since we were already closed for two days this week, when our community members need these essential services.

4. Employee Options

- Any employee who feels unable to work under these conditions can speak with their supervisor. Supervisors have the discretion to approve leave if an individual cannot remain at work. We value our employees' well-being and encourage open communication with supervisors regarding any concerns.

5. Commitment to Health and Safety

- Our primary goal is to protect the health and safety of both our staff and tribal members. We have been actively monitoring water pressure and will remove the portable toilets once it is certain that the water supply is stable from the frozen temperatures.

We appreciate everyone's patience and cooperation during this temporary inconvenience. The Comanche Nation remains dedicated to serving our people and ensuring the well-being of our

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community. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact the Tribal Administrator's Office (580) 492-3240.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

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