



**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
CITY HALL, 291 N. MAIN STREET
PORTERVILLE, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 2, 2021, 5:30 PM**

The City of Porterville City Council will hold a Regular Meeting on February 16, 2021 via live stream only. No physical meeting address will be provided and said meeting will be conducted remotely.

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, signed by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, and in an effort to protect public health and slow the rate of transmission of COVID-19, the City of Porterville is allowing for and encouraging electronic participation at City Council Meetings. Until further notice, Porterville City Council Meetings will be livestreamed on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5KuhSrNMNL9nwHJVtnJvvA>. Public comments may be submitted to CouncilMeetingComments@ci.porterville.ca.us and will be read aloud for Council consideration during Oral Communications or during any public hearings as applicable. Members of the public are encouraged to submit comments prior to 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 02, 2021, to participate in this meeting. Staff will periodically check for emails that may have been submitted after 6:30 p.m., however it is not guaranteed that those emails will be read prior to Council action.

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Call to Order

Roll Call

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

This is the opportunity to address the City Council on any matter scheduled for Closed Session. Unless additional time is authorized by the Council, all commentary shall be limited to three minutes.

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION:

A. Closed Session Pursuant to:

1 - Government Code Section 54957.6 – Conference with Labor Negotiator. Agency

Negotiator: John Lollis and Patrice Hildreth. Employee Organizations: Porterville Peace Officers Association, and Management and Confidential Series.

2 - Government Code Section 54956.95 – Liability Claim: Claimant: Ramon Montejano. Agency claimed against: City of Porterville.

3 - Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation: Statewide Traffic Safety and Signs, Inc. v. California Professional Engineering, Inc., et al., Tulare County Superior Court Case No. 284137.

4 - Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(3) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Significant Exposure to Litigation: Seven cases in which facts are not yet known to potential plaintiff.

5 - Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Initiation of Litigation: One case.

6:30 P.M. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION AND REPORT ON REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Pledge of Allegiance Led by Mayor Reyes

Invocation

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

This is the opportunity to address the Council on any matter of interest, whether on the agenda or not. Unless additional time is authorized by the Council, all commentary shall be limited to three minutes.

AB 1234 REPORTS

This is the time for all AB 1234 reports required pursuant to Government Code § 53232.3.

1. California League of Cities Homeless Roundtable - February 17, 2021
2. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) Governing Board - February 18, 2021
3. United States Census Bureau 2020 Preview - February 18, 2021
4. City Council Cannabis Ad Hoc Committee - February 19, 2021
5. City Council COVID-19 Ad Hoc Committee - February 22, 2021
6. Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) - February 22, 2021

7. South County Tourism Mighty 190 Committee - February 24, 2021

CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar Items are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these matters unless a request is made, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar. All items removed from the Consent Calendar for further discussion will be heard at the end of Scheduled Matters.

1. **Authorization to Purchase Equipment by Negotiation**
Re: Consideration to authorize the purchase by negotiation of the equipment listed.
2. **Acceptance of Project - Apron Rehabilitation and Gates and Access Control Improvement Project at the Porterville Municipal Airport**
Re: Consideration to accept the project as completed by G. Sosa Construction, which consisted of the reconstruction of asphalt pavement areas, replacement of rolling gates, and installation of centrally-operated access control and surveillance system, for a total construction cost of \$1,117,239.
3. **Approval of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Transportation Agreement with the County of Tulare**
Re: Consideration to enter into an Agreement with the County of Tulare for FY 2020-2021 to provide service to County residents within the service area boundary.
4. **Approval of Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Certifications and Assurances for Federal Transit Administration Assistance Programs**
Re: Consideration of Approval of Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Certifications and Assurances.
5. **Authorization to Execute Consultant Service Agreement - Island Annexation Sewer Project**
Re: Consideration to authorize the execution of the Consultant Service Agreement with 4Creeks for the redesign work for the Island Annexation Sewer Project associated with Annexation 457 in an amount of \$28,505.
6. **Community Clean Up Events**
Re: Considering approval of 2021 "Spring Clean-Up Day" and "Fall Clean-Up Day" to be held on April 17, 2021, and October 16, 2021, respectively.
7. **City Council Member Requested Agenda Item - Local Homeless Update**
Re: Consideration of a request to consider an item to provide a local homeless update.
8. **City Council Member Requested Agenda Item - Community Cleanup Volunteer Guidelines**
Re: Consideration of a request to consider an item to consider community cleanup volunteer guidelines.

9. **Status and Review of Local Emergency: Drought**
Re: Considering approval of the continuance of the Declaration of Local Emergency.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

10. **Consideration of Appointments to Library Facility Planning Committee**
Re: Considering appointments to the Library Facility Planning Committee.
11. **Fireworks Ordinance Update**
Re: Consideration of the City's Fireworks Ordinance.
12. **Implementation of an Unmanned Aerial System Program**
Re: Consideration to authorize the implementation of an Unmanned Aerial System Program; and purchase of five drones from All Drone Solutions in the amount of \$18,440.77.
13. **Planning Session for CDBG Substantial Amendment to the 2020 Consolidated Plan, 2020/2021 Action Plan and 2021/2022 Action Plan for use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and Program Income**
Re: Review and provide direction on the CDBG Substantial Amendment to the 2020 Consolidated Plan, 2020/2021 Action Plan and 2021/2022 Action Plan for use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and Program Income
14. **Status and Review of Proclamation of Local Emergency: COVID-19**
Re: Considering approval of the continuation of the Proclamation of Local Emergency due to COVID-19.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

OTHER MATTERS

CLOSED SESSION

Any Closed Session Items not completed prior to 6:30 p.m. will be considered at this time.

ADJOURNMENT - to the meeting of March 16, 2021

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SUBJECT: Authorization to Purchase Equipment by Negotiation

SOURCE: Public Works

COMMENT: After careful evaluation, staff has determined the need to replace additional equipment in the current year. In accordance with the City's Purchasing Policy and Procedure Manual, as amended by Resolution No. 122-87 adopted by City Council on October 20, 1987, staff hereby requests approval to begin negotiations for the purchase of the following equipment scheduled for replacement in FY 2020-2021, for the various Departments :

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ESTIMATED COST</u>
Parks - General	1 - Cab & Chassis with Crane 4 - Trucks	\$203,000
Public Works - Solid Waste	1 - Truck	\$30,000
Public Works - Solid Waste	3 - Side loaders	\$870,000
Public Works - Meter Reading	1 - Truck	\$30,000
Public Works - Lab	1 - Truck	\$30,000

Funds for the purchase of these equipment are available in the Equipment Replacement Funds.

In addition to the above equipment, staff is requesting to purchase a pick-up truck for the weed abatement program at an estimated cost of \$40,000. Funding for this equipment was appropriated in the Parks and Leisure Department's operating budget in the General Fund.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council authorize the purchase by negotiation of the equipment listed and authorize the payment for said equipment upon satisfactory delivery.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Michael Knight, Public Works Director

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager



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SUBJECT: Acceptance of Project - Apron Rehabilitation and Gates and Access Control Improvement Project at the Porterville Municipal Airport

SOURCE: Finance

COMMENT: G. Sosa Construction has completed the apron rehabilitation project, including improvements to the gates and access control at the Airport. The project consisted of the reconstruction of failed asphalt pavement areas, replacement of rolling gates and installation of centrally-operated access control and surveillance system.

Final construction cost for this project was \$945,528. Construction management, surveying, inspection, and materials testing provided by Tartaglia Engineering, the City's architectural and engineering consultant for the Airport amounted to \$159,500 and City workforce charged to the project was \$12,211, for a total construction cost of \$1,117,239.

Funding for the project consisted of a grant award of \$983,392 from the Federal Aviation Administration, a grant award of \$49,170 from the State of California Division of Aeronautics and the remainder from the City's Airport Development Fund.

Staff has reviewed the work and found it acceptable.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council accept the project as complete.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Final Engineer's Report
2. Project Layout Plan

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Maria Bemis, Finance Director

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager

FINAL ENGINEER'S REPORT
FOR
**Pavement and Access Gates
Rehabilitation**

At
Porterville Municipal Airport
City of Porterville
Porterville, California

Federal Grant
AIP 3-06-0190-015-2019
(construct & reimburse design)

December, 2020

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Pavement and Access Gate Rehabilitation

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1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A. General Scope of Project:

In general, the scope of this project was to increase airfield safety and security by:

- Addressing localized areas of failed pavement surfaces on the main apron.
- Addressing the surface condition of the apron.
- Addressing airport security and airfield access.

B. Elements of the Improvement:

This project effort includes the following:

- Perform localized reconstruction of failed pavement areas identified on the plans.
- Apply pavement surface treatment to apron.
- Apply pavement markings.
- Install new gates and access control components at three existing gate access points.
- Install new area lights at two access gate locations.
- Install security cameras and monitoring systems as shown on the plans.

C. Elements of Construction:

Elements of construction necessary to accomplish the upgrades include the following, at a minimum:

- Construction site environmental management.
- Removal and disposal of existing structural section in failed areas, subgrade preparation, aggregate base placement and compaction, asphalt concrete placement.
- Install crack fill and place slurry seal surface treatment to apron.
- Install pavement markings including reflective media
- Install gate improvements including gates and hardware, operators, underground electrical, traffic loops, access control keypads, and area lights
- Install security cameras and remote monitoring equipment.

Proposed improvements are clearly presented on Exhibit 1C of the Environmental Assessment entitled “Proposed Infield and Taxiway Improvements Project”, prepared by Coffman Associates.

D. Standards & Design Direction:

The design team received design and operational direction from the following FAA Standards:

- AC 150/5300-13A: Airport Design
- AC 150/5370-10G: Standards for Specifying Construction on Airports
- AC 150/5340-1L: Standards for Airport Markings
- AC 150/5370-2G: Operational Safety on Airports During Construction

In addition, the design team referenced and incorporated the direction for proposed improvements as presented in the most recent FAA-approved Airport Layout Plan (ALP) for Porterville Municipal Airport.

E. Phasing (As designed):

A detailed Construction Safety and Phasing Plan (CSPP) provided guidance and direction to the Contractor regarding the constraints of construction.

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F. Improvement Packaging:

Improvements were packaged in a Base Bid Plus Additive Alternates format, according to the following:

Bid Schedule	Scope of Work	Contract Duration (work days)
Base Bid	Gate Improvements, Apron improvements	70
Additive A	Localized Pavement Removal and reconstruct	10
Additive B	Localized Portland Cement Concrete removal and reconstruct	20
Total		100

2. ENGINEERING

A. Design:

In general, FAA Advisory Circulars including 150/5300-13 (Airport Design), and 150/5370-10G (Standards for Specifying Construction of Airports) served as the primary technical reference for design.

B. Project Personnel - Design:

The design team was led by Tartaglia Engineering, Atascadero, California. Jason Hargreaves, PE of Tartaglia Engineering served as the Project Engineer. Matt Cunningham, PLS, provided topographic survey in support of the design of the improvements. Brett Dolan, PE, scheduled to be the Resident Project representative (RPR), provided internal Quality Control of prepared plans, specifications, and the Construction Safety Phasing Plan.

BSK, Fresno, provided and performed the field sampling and exploration, lab testing and analysis, and preparation of a report of geotechnical findings and design recommendations, for our use in preparing the construction documents.

3. BIDDING AND AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

The Notice Inviting Bids was published in April, 2019. Contract documents including plans and specifications were distributed to local plan rooms and contractor exchanges in Porterville, Bakersfield, Fresno, and the San Luis Obispo / Santa Maria area. Three addendums were issued during the Bidding Phase based on items found during continued internal review of the documents, contractor questions, and direction provided from the FAA regarding timing of bid opening and questions regarding eligibility or work.

The non-mandatory Pre-Bid Job Walk was held Tuesday, April 23, 2019. Several contractors attended, expressing significant interest in the work. The bid opening date was revised from May 7 to May 21.

Bids were received and read aloud on May 21, 2019. A total of one bid was received, detailed as follows, representing the true cost of the scoped work:

No	Contractor	Base Bid	Additive A	Additive B	Bid Total
1	G. Sosa Construction, Inc.	\$916,633.00	\$66,755.00	\$107,100.00	\$1,090,488.00
	Engineer's Estimate	\$699,950.00	\$55,021.00	\$136,400.00	\$891,371.00

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The bid was uncontested. Bidding documents appeared to be in order, with no irregularities. The city moved to award the contract to the low bidder, through completion and submission of a revised grant application “based on bids”.

With input and concurrence from the FAA, it was determined that the City of Porterville was to award the Base Bid Plus Additive Alternate A only. Construction contracts were prepared, and a contract was consummated between the City of Porterville and G. Sosa Construction, of Santa Maria, CA, in the amount of \$918,158.00, being the sum total of the Base Bid plus Additive Alternate A (negotiated). A copy of the contract was provided electronically to the FAA.

4. CONSTRUCTION

A. Construction Management Team:

Similar to the design portion of the effort, the construction management team was led by Tartaglia Engineering, Atascadero. John Smith, PE, served as Project Manager through the construction phase. Jason Hargreaves, PE, served as Construction Engineer, providing real-time input, response, and revisions to documents as the work progressed. Matt Cunningham, PLS, provided survey control for contractor-use in performing staking and layout of the improvements. In addition, Mr. Cunningham reviewed layout notes and cut-sheets from the surveyor and provided control review and input when issues developed.

Brett Dolan, PE, provided construction inspection and observation services, serving as the RPR.

BSK of Fresno, California provided construction materials testing and inspection. The Project Manager for BSK was Michael Collins.

B. General Contractor:

The construction contract was awarded to G. Sosa Construction, Santa Maria, CA. Key contractor's personnel were as follows:

Greg Sosa:	Project Superintendent
Greg Sosa:	Foreman

C. Subcontractors of Significance:

Sebastian Corp.:	Electrical/Communication Improvements
Central Coast Fence:	Gates and hardware
Pavement Maintenance Company:	Slurry Seal
Super Seal and Stripe:	Pavement Markings

D. Significant Dates:

Pre-Bid Job Walk (non-mandatory):	April 23, 2019
Bid Opening:	May 21, 2019
Pre-Construction Conference:	September 19, 2019
Day 1:	October 14, 2019
Scheduled Last Day:	February 7, 2020
Revised Last Day (change order extensions):	April 21, 2020
Preliminary Final Inspection:	February 25, 2020
Documented Substantial Complete:	February 25, 2020

E. Contract Cost and Change Orders:

Contract Change Orders are a means to add, delete, modify or change the contract specifications, construction plans and/or to make changes due to unforeseen events, conditions, and complications. Change

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Orders provide an avenue for modifications to both contract cost and contract time. For the Pavement and Access Gates Rehabilitation project, a total of three (3) Changer Orders were issued during the life of this project, summarized as follows:

Change Order Summary Table				
No.	Summary of Changes	Contract Increase or Decrease	Net Change Order Amount	Running Contact Total
	Original Construction Contract			\$918,158.00
1	Additional asphalt pavement repair area and addition of electrical conduit at gate area 1.	Increase	\$21,575.00	\$939,733.00
2	Balancing of bid quantities to reflect installed quantities	Decrease	(\$2,239.52)	\$937,493.48
3	Gate keypad modifications	Increase	\$8,034.77	\$945,528.25
	Final Contractor Compensation			\$945,528.25

Final compensation to the contractor was \$945,528.25, reflecting a \$27,370.25 increase from the initial contract amount (3.0% above contract amount). The appendix includes copies of the contractors Final Pay Request and all Change Orders.

F. Materials Testing:

Materials testing including earth density testing for subgrade and trench backfill, aggregate base density testing, portland cement concrete slumps and cylinders, and hot-mix asphalt testing, was all performed by BSK, Fresno, California. Refer to the Appendix for more details.

G. Contract Time and Performance:

The contract had an 80 working-day time for performance. Day One was October 14, 2019. G. Sosa Construction commenced with the contract work immediately and continued his commitment to the project throughout the duration of the contract.

A Punch List was issued on February 24, 2020, to provide the Contractor with a general indication of the team's understanding of remaining items of work. The work was substantially complete at this time as the apron and all gates were placed into operation. A copy of the February 24, 2020 Punch List is included in this report.

The Contractor completed all work in a timely manner.

5. PROJECT CONDITIONS / CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS

The contractor mobilized to the site and began work on asphalt concrete repairs of the failed areas of the apron on October 16, 2019. Existing structural section was removed and disposed, subgrade prep was completed, and placement and compaction of aggregate base tested and approved for placement of asphalt concrete. The failed pavement areas were paved back on October 24.

On October 19, subcontractor Asphalt Maintenance Company arrived on site and began surface preparation and placement of slurry seal. The slurry seal application was completed over the next 10 days. Phasing limits were planned to prepare airport tenants for the proposed down time. Pavement markings for the apron were installed in mid-November after the slurry seal application was cured.

Upon completion of asphalt repair and slurry seal application the contractor proceeded to close gate area 2 and 3 and commence work on the gate improvements. During this closure, airport access was maintained through gate area 1. The contractor completed demo and removal of the existing paved approaches, PCC gate tracks, gates, and hardware without issue. The contractor completed subgrade prep and placement and

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compaction of aggregate base. The contractor installed underground electrical lines for the operator, keypads, and area lights; formed and placed the new PCC gate tracks, operator pads and light pole foundations. The aggregate base grade for the approaches was fine-tuned and the contractor placed and compacted asphalt concrete to the lines and grades on the plans.

Subcontractor Central Coast Fence (CCF) proceeded to install the gate operators, keypads, traffic loops, and area lighting. Gate area 2 and gate area 3 were placed into service in mid December.

Gate area 1 encountered issues with the existing alignment of the fence and gate track. The new gate layout requires an offset between the gate track and the fence alignment. To accommodate the improvements the contractor was directed through a change order to re-align the existing fence and preserve use of the existing gate track. Once the fence was re-aligned, the new gate was installed along with keypads and communication links. Gate 1 was placed into service in late January of 2020.

Subcontractor Sebastian Corp. arrived on site in late January and began installation of the security cameras, communication links, and remote monitoring system in the airport office. Once all cameras, hardware, and communication links were up and running the contractor provided the airport staff with training for the monitoring system as well as keypad/card reader applications and functions.

6. RECORD DRAWINGS

Tartaglia Engineering has prepared record drawings reflecting the completed project, based on ongoing inspections by team members and based on the marked-up drawings provided by the contractor. The record drawings have been delivered to the City of Porterville and the FAA (Abel Tapia, San Francisco Airports District Office) electronically. They are included in this Final Engineer's Report through reference here.

7. SPONSOR CERTIFICATION OF FINAL ACCEPTANCE

The certification, FAA Form 5100-129; Construction Project Final Acceptance, has been prepared and submitted to the FAA (Abel Tapia, San Francisco Airports District Office) electronically.

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8. SUMMARY STATEMENTS

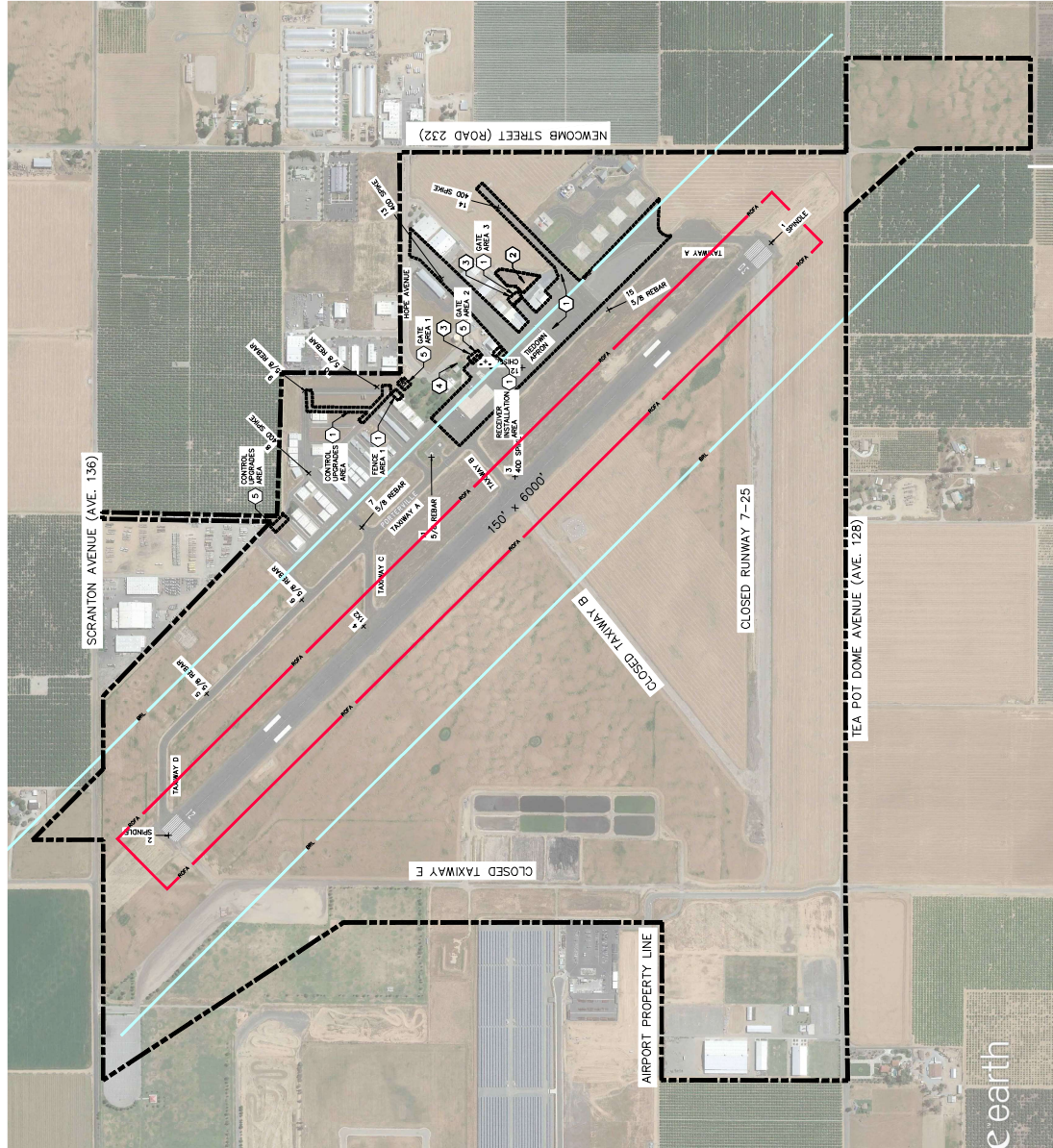
I, John A. Smith, PE, and Tartaglia Engineering acting as Contract Manager on behalf of the City of Porterville, certify that, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the following statements are true and correct:

1. All construction was performed in conformance with the approved plans and specifications as amended by contract change orders.
2. All items of work in the contract had been satisfactorily completed and accepted.
3. Contractor payrolls have been submitted, reviewed for compliance, and filed.
4. The contractor performed on-time, with consideration for extensions granted in change orders. No liquidated damages were charged to the contractor.
5. All costs were within the scope of the project and are eligible for federal participation through the Airport Improvement Program (AIP).

Signed: _____

John A. Smith, PE

Date: _____

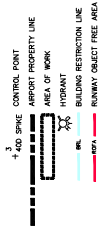


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REFERENCE NOTES:

1. AREA OF WORK
2. CONTRACTOR YARD, MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE
3. CONTRACTOR POINT OF ACCESS TO AIRPORT
4. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION WATER
5. GATE IMPROVEMENT AREA

LEGEND:



GENERAL NOTES:

1. ALL TRUCKS, VEHICLES, AND EQUIPMENT ENTERING THE AIRPORT SHALL HAVE ORANGE AND WHITE CHECKERED FLAGS ATTACHED, DISPLAYED AT THE HIGHEST POINT OF THE VEHICLE FOR NIGHT CONSTRUCTION. ALL VEHICLES SHALL HAVE ROTATING AMBER BEACON.
2. ALL AIRFIELD PAVEMENTS SHALL BE CLEANED BEFORE RE-OPENING (SWEPT, OR WASHED AS NECESSARY).
3. CONSTRUCTION WATER IS AVAILABLE BY METER FROM THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL COSTS.
4. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CALL UNDERGROUND SERVICE ALERT (USA) TWO WORKING DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE START OF CONSTRUCTION, AND ASSURE ALL UTILITIES ARE MARKED, PRESERVED, AND PROTECTED.
5. IT SHALL BE THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO LOCATE ALL EXISTING FACILITIES, SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE UTILITIES PRIOR TO BEGINNING WORK.
6. AIRPORT AND RUNWAY 12-30 TO REMAIN OPEN AT ALL TIMES.

AIRPORT SAFETY AND SECURITY:

1. THROUGHOUT THE DURATION OF THE PROJECT, AIRPORT PERIMETER SECURITY SHALL REMAIN EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN WHAT CURRENTLY EXISTS.
2. CONTRACTOR TO PRACTICE AUTOMATIC GATE PROTOCOLS TO A COMPLETE CLOSE.
3. CONTRACTOR IS FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT THAT ENTER A GATE BEHIND HIM.
4. CONTRACTOR SHALL MAINTAIN A MINIMUM OF TWO (2) PERSONS AT ALL TIMES WITHIN THE GATE AREA.
5. OTHERS WITH ACCESS AUTHORITY NOT AFFILIATED WITH THE PROJECT WILL WAIT UNTIL YOUR MOVEMENT IS COMPLETE. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO ACCOMMODATE.
6. ALL VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT ENTERING THE AIRPORT SHALL BE LABELED WITH THE NAME OF THE FIRM ON AT LEAST TWO SIDES OF THE VEHICLE, IN A FONT OF ADEQUATE SIZE TO BE READ FROM THE CONTROL TOWER.
7. ALL VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT SHALL BE EQUIPPED WITH AN ORANGE AND WHITE CHECKERED SAFETY FLAG (DAYTIME) OR ROTATING AMBER BEACON (DAYTIME OR NIGHT TIME), AT THE HIGHEST POINT OF THE VEHICLE.
8. CONTRACTOR TO REMAIN CLEAR OF THE RWMA (RUNWAY RESTRICTED WORK AREA) AT ALL TIMES.
9. CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT STORAGE TO REMAIN CLEAR OF THE BRL (BUILDING RESTRICTION LINE) AT ALL TIMES.

RECORD DRAWINGS
THESE DRAWINGS ARE BASED ON ACTUAL
CONSTRUCTED FIELD CONDITIONS AND
INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE CONTRACTOR
AND DOCUMENTED BY THE DESIGNER.
THE DESIGNER TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR
THE ACCURACY OF FIELD INFORMATION PROVIDED.
RECORD DRAWINGS PREPARED BY:
TARTAGLIA ENGINEERING
07/21/2020

PAVEMENT REHABILITATION
PROJECT LAYOUT PLAN

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TARTAGLIA ENGINEERING
PORTERVILLE
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

DESIGN: JAC/JFH
DRAWN: JFH
CHECKED: JFH
SCALE: AS SHOWN
SHEET: 14-28
DATE: 3-14-19



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Approval of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Transportation Agreement with the County of Tulare

SOURCE: Public Works

COMMENT: Since 1983, the City of Porterville has maintained an annual agreement with the County of Tulare to provide coordinated public transportation services to residents within the Porterville urbanized area. The current Agreement expired June 30, 2020, and it is proposed the attached successor Agreement be approved and maintained for FY 2020-2021.

Traditionally, the County has shared in the net operating cost of the system, i.e., total operating costs less fare box revenues in proportion to the ridership percentage from the unincorporated area as experienced over the previous Agreement year.

The County's contribution to City transit operations for the FY 2020-2021 Agreement will be \$443,252, a 3.57% increase from last year's contribution of \$427,972.

Compensation for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, would be as follows:

Demand Response	\$57,795
Fixed Route	\$328,617
Depreciation	\$56,840
 Total Payment	 \$443,252

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council enter into an Agreement with the County of Tulare for FY 2020/2021 to provide service to County residents within the service area boundary, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. City of Porterville/County of Tulare Transportation Agreement - FY 2020-2021

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Michael Knight, Public Works Director

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager

1 **AGREEMENT**

2 THIS AGREEMENT, is entered into as of this ____ day of _____, 2021, by
3 and between the COUNTY OF TULARE, hereinafter referred to as the "County", and the CITY
4 OF PORTERVILLE, hereinafter referred to as the "City".

5 **W I T N E S S E T H:**

6 WHEREAS, the County and the City desire to coordinate their respective public
7 transportation systems in the Porterville urbanized area; and

8 WHEREAS, there are and will continue to be citizens of the County who can reasonably be
9 served by the City's transit system and there are and will continue to be citizens of the City who
10 can reasonably be served by the County's transit system; and

11 WHEREAS, the County and the City recognize the goals of providing a transportation
12 system to the general public at a reasonable fare and that providing coordinated public
13 transportation service within the Porterville urbanized area; and

14 WHEREAS, the County and the City desire to provide for the Joint Exercise of Powers for
15 the purpose of providing and maintaining public transportation systems in the Porterville
16 urbanized area;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, County and City mutually agree as follows:

18 1. **Scope of Work.** The County and City shall each control, manage, and operate a
19 separate transit system. The City and County shall furnish each other thirty (30) days prior
20 written notice of any and all service level and fare level changes.

21 (a) **County.** The County shall provide transit service to those residents of the
22 City desiring to use the regularly scheduled service of the County transit system. The
23 County shall establish bus stop location(s) within the City which will interface with
24 the City bus stop locations and facilitate system transfers. The County stop(s) shall be
25 established at locations acceptable to the City. Approval on behalf of the City shall
26 be given by the City Transit Coordinator.

27 (b) **City.** The City shall establish a series of bus stop locations within the
28 County. The City stops shall be established at locations acceptable to the County.
29 Approval on behalf of the County shall be given by the Director of Transportation.
30 The City shall provide transit service to County residents desiring transit service
31 within the urbanized service area as set forth in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto
32 and made a part hereof by this reference.

33 2. **Management-County.** The County shall manage the County transit system in an
34 appropriate manner, insuring cost effective operation, including marketing the system in a
35 professional manner and collecting fares from riders on the County transit system.

1 3. **Management-City.** The City shall manage the City transit system in an
2 appropriate manner, insuring cost effective operation, including marketing the system in a
3 professional manner and collecting fares from riders on the City transit system.

4 4. **Compensation.** The County shall compensate the City for service to County
5 residents living in the herein agreed upon service area. Compensation shall be limited to a
6 set dollar amount of \$443,252. Compensation for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30,
7 2021, will be as follows:

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9	Demand Response	\$ 57,795
10	Fixed Route	\$328,617
11	Depreciation	\$ 56,840
12	Total Payment	\$443,252

13 5. **Authorization of Payment.** FTA Section 5307 Funds will be claimed by the City on
14 the County's behalf. The County by this Agreement authorizes the Tulare County
15 Association of Governments to transfer \$443,252 from the County's 2020/21
16 Apportionment of State Transit Assistance Funds, and/or Local Transportation Funds to the
17 City of Porterville's Apportionment. The County further authorizes the City to claim said
18 \$443,252 as full payment for services under this Agreement. In case of termination of this
19 Agreement prior to June 30, 2021, the County agrees to compensate the City for a
20 proportional amount of the sum of \$443,252 based upon the number of days the services
21 were provided by the City during a 365 day period.

22 6. **FTA Funds.** Per the 2010 Census, the Porterville urbanized area has a population of
23 72,329; 54,247 (75.0%) of which are City residents, and 18,082 (25.0%) of which are
24 County residents. The Porterville Urbanized Area is eligible to receive Federal Transit
25 Administration (FTA) Funds from Section 5307. The City of Porterville will be the
26 claimant of these funds. The amount included under Section 4 "compensation" reflects a
27 credit of Section 5307 Funds to the County from the City.

28 7. **Renegotiation.** In the event a contract between the Federal Transit
29 Administration and the City of Porterville is not executed by June 30, 2021 for the Section
30 5307 Funds specified in paragraphs 4, 5 and 6, this contract may be renegotiated to reflect
31 this condition.

32 8. **Drivers.** The parties shall require that all transit drivers meet all licensing
33 requirements of the State of California.

34 9. **Indemnification-City.** City shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify County,
35 its agents, officers and employees from and against any liability, claims, actions, costs,
36 damages or losses of any kind, including death or injury to any person and/or damage to

1 property, arising out of the activities of City or its agents, officers and employees under this
2 Agreement. This indemnification specifically includes any claims that may be made
3 against County by any taxing authority asserting that an employer-employee relationship
4 exists by reason of this Agreement. This indemnification obligation shall continue beyond
5 the term of this Agreement as to any acts or omissions occurring under this Agreement or
6 any extension of this Agreement.

7 **10. Indemnification-County.** County shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify
8 City, its agents, officers and employees from and against any liability, claims, actions,
9 costs, damages or losses of any kind, including death or injury to any person and/or damage
10 to property, arising out of the activities of County or its agents, officers and employees
11 under this Agreement, and any claims made against County alleging civil rights violations
12 by City under Government Code section 12920 et seq. (California Fair Employment and
13 Housing Act). This indemnification obligation shall continue beyond the term of this
14 Agreement as to any acts or omissions occurring under this Agreement or any extension of
15 this Agreement.

16 **11. Insurance-Liability.** The City and the County shall each provide comprehensive
17 general public liability and comprehensive automotive liability insurance with single limit
18 coverage of not less than \$5,000,000 or equivalent self-insurance covering their activities
19 under this Agreement. Prior to commencing operations, each party shall file with the Clerk
20 of the other party certificates of insurance evidencing the coverage required herein and
21 naming the other party, its officers, agents and employees as additional insured's. Such
22 certificates shall state that the named additional insured's are not responsible for the
23 payment of any premium or assessment and shall provide that in the event of a cancellation
24 or material change of policy, the insurer shall give the named additional insured's no less
25 than thirty (30) days advance written notice of such cancellation or change. Upon request,
26 each party shall provide the other with a complete copy of the insurance policy or policies
27 or evidence and terms of self-insurance as required herein.

28 The parties agree, during the term of the Agreement, to maintain at their own expense
29 (or require of their independent contractors) all necessary insurance for their respective
30 officers, employees, and agents, including but not limited to workers' compensation,
31 disability and unemployment insurance in accordance with state statutory requirements and
32 to provide certificates of such insurance or other evidence of compliance to the other party
33 upon request. The insurance, and evidence thereof, required by this Agreement may be
34 provided either directly by the parties or, if a party contracts with an independent
35 contractor/operator to provide the services required by this Agreement, by the operator of
36 that party's system as deemed appropriate by such party.

1 **12. Term of Agreement.** This Agreement shall become effective July 1, 2020 and
2 shall continue in full force and effect until June 30, 2021 unless terminated earlier, as
3 herein provided.

4 **13. Termination.** The right to terminate this Agreement under this provision may be
5 exercised without prejudice to any other right or remedy to which the terminating party may
6 be entitled at law or under this Agreement.

7 (a) Without Cause. Either party shall have the right to terminate this
8 Agreement without cause by giving the other party SIXTY (60) days prior written
9 notice of its intention to terminate pursuant to this provision, specifying the date of
10 termination.

11 (b) With Cause. This Agreement may be terminated by either party should the
12 other party:

- 13 (i) be adjudged a bankrupt, or
- 14 (ii) become insolvent or have a receiver appointed, or
- 15 (iii) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or
- 16 (iv) suffer any judgment which remains unsatisfied for 30 days, and which
17 would substantively impair the ability of the judgment debtor to perform under
18 this Agreement, or
- 19 (v) materially breach this Agreement.

20 For any of the occurrences except item (v), termination may be effected upon
21 written notice by the terminating party specifying the date of the termination. Upon a
22 material breach, the Agreement may be terminated following the failure of the
23 defaulting party to remedy the breach to the satisfaction of the non-defaulting party
24 within FIFTEEN (15) days of written notice specifying the breach. If the breach is
25 not remedied within that FIFTEEN (15) day period, the non-defaulting party may
26 terminate the Agreement on further written notice specifying the date of termination.

27 If the nature of the breach is such that it cannot be cured within a FIFTEEN (15)
28 day period, the defaulting party may, submit a written proposal within that period
29 which sets forth a specific means to resolve the default. If the non-defaulting party
30 consents to that proposal in writing, which consent shall not be unreasonably
31 withheld, the defaulting party shall immediately embark on its plan to cure. If the
32 default is not cured within the time agreed, the non-defaulting party may terminate
33 upon written notice specifying the date of termination.

34 (c) Effects of Termination. Termination of this Agreement shall not terminate
35 any obligations to indemnify, to maintain and make available any records pertaining

1 to the Agreement, to cooperate with any audit, to be subject to offset, or to make any
2 reports of pre-termination contract activities.

3 14. **Notices.** Any notices to be given shall be written and served either by personal
4 delivery or by first class mail, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

5 County: Director of Transportation
6 Resource Management Agency
7 5961 S. Mooney Blvd.
8 Visalia, CA 93277
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10 City: Transit Coordinator
11 City of Porterville
12 291 N. Main Street
13 Porterville, CA 93257

14 15. **Integration.** This Agreement constitutes the sole and only Agreement between
15 the parties hereto as to the services to be provided hereunder. Any prior agreements,
16 promises, negotiations or representations as to such services not expressly referred to herein
17 are of no force and effect.

18 16. **Modification.** The City and County shall furnish each other thirty (30) days prior
19 written notice of any and all recommended service level and fare level changes. The City
20 shall request and receive approval from the County Director of Transportation prior to any
21 changes in service levels or fare levels in unincorporated areas of the service area. Except
22 for said changes, this Agreement shall be modified or amended only with the prior written
23 consent of both parties.

24 17. **Assignment.** Neither party shall assign or transfer any of the rights or privileges
25 or any parts thereof of this Agreement without the other party's prior written consent.

26 18. **Records.** Each party agrees to maintain all books, records, documents, and other
27 evidence pertaining to this Agreement, any disputes surrounding the subject matter of this
28 Agreement, and any other related circumstances in accordance with generally accepted
29 accounting principles and practices. Each party shall allow the other party's agents or
30 representative's access to such records for inspection, audit, and copying during normal
31 business hours. Each party shall provide further facilities for such access and inspection.

32 19. **Surveys.** Either the City or the County may conduct periodic ridership surveys.
33 Said surveys shall not interfere with the operation of the system.

34 20. **Legal Operation.** City and County each shall carry out its obligations under this
35 Agreement in full compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances,
36 rules and regulations.

1 21. **Construction.** This Agreement reflects the contributions of both parties and
2 accordingly the provisions of Civil Code section 1654 shall not apply to address and
3 interpret any uncertainty.

4 22. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be interpreted and governed under the
5 laws of the State of California without reference to California conflicts of law principles.
6 Any litigation arising out of this Agreement shall be brought in Tulare County California.
7 City waives the removal provisions of California Code of Civil Procedure Section 394.

8 23. **Conflict with Laws or Regulations/Severability.** This Agreement is subject to
9 all applicable laws and regulations. If any provision of this Agreement is found by any
10 court or other legal authority, or is agreed by the parties, to be in conflict with any code or
11 regulation governing its subject, the conflicting provision shall be considered null and void.
12 The remainder of the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

13 24. **Headings.** Section headings are provided for organizational purposes only and do
14 not in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of the provisions under the headings.

15 25. **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** Unless specifically set forth, the parties to this
16 Agreement do not intend to provide any other party with any benefit or enforceable legal or
17 equitable right or remedy.

18 26. **Waivers.** The failure of either party to insist on strict compliance with any
19 provision of this Agreement shall not be considered a waiver of any right to do so, whether
20 for that breach or any subsequent breach. The acceptance by either party of either
21 performance or payment shall not be considered to be a waiver of any preceding breach of
22 the Agreement by the other party.

23 27. **Exhibits and Recitals.** The Recitals and the Exhibits to this Agreement are fully
24 incorporated into and are integral parts of this Agreement.

25 28. **Further Assurances.** Each party agrees to execute any additional documents and
26 to perform any further acts which may be reasonably required to effect the purposes of this
27 Agreement.

28 29. **Assurances of Non-Discrimination.** City and County expressly agrees that it
29 will not discriminate in employment or the provision of services on the basis of any
30 characteristic or condition upon which discrimination is prohibited by state or federal law
31 or regulation.

1 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the
2 date first above written.

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4 COUNTY OF TULARE

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7 By _____
8 Chair, Board of Supervisors
9 "COUNTY"

10 ATTEST: Jason Britt,
11 County Administrative Officer/
12 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

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15 By _____
16 Deputy

17 CITY OF PORTERVILLE

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20 By _____
21 Mayor "CITY"

22 ATTEST: Clerk of City of Porterville

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25 By _____
26 Deputy

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30 Approved as to Form,
31 County Counsel

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33 By _____
34 Deputy

30 Approved as to Form,
31 City Attorney

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33 By _____
34 City Attorney



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Approval of Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Certifications and Assurances for Federal Transit Administration Assistance Programs

SOURCE: Public Works

COMMENT: The City of Porterville submits applications for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Operating, Capital and/or Formula grant funding in keeping with annual operating assistance, acquisition of replacement buses, facility construction/rehabilitation, acquisition of associated major bus components, etc. A requirement of the grant approval process includes submittal of Certifications and Assurances for FTA verification of compliance.

The Certifications and Assurances cover multiple compliance areas, such as: conformity with Federal regulations, Civil Rights, Procurement, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and Drug/Alcohol testing, etc., requirements.

For Federal Fiscal Year 2021, FTA made the following changes to the annual Certifications and Assurances: added coronavirus relief and Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act certification, removed certification regarding restricted telecommunications and video surveillance equipment and services, updated certification regarding public transportation agency safety plans (PTASP), and added catch-all certification for Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Formula and Discretionary Programs (Tribal Transit Programs).

The City is also required to designate a representative to affirm compliance with the Certifications and Assurances as a part of the grant application process. In prior FTA grant applications, the City Manager, as a designee of the City, has signed the declaration and affirmation of FTA Certifications and Assurances on behalf of the City along with Affirmation by the City Attorney.

Failure to approve FTA Certifications and Assurances will result in FTA's withholding of the City's FY 2021 Section 5307 apportionment of \$2,660,843.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council authorize the City Manager to:

1. Execute the Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Certifications and Assurances for Federal Transit Administration Assistance Programs/Affirmation of Applicant;

2. File grant application(s) on behalf of the City; and
3. Execute a grant agreement(s); in concurrence with and execution of the Affirmation of Applicant's Attorney Certification by the City Attorney.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. FY 2021 - FTA Certifications and Assurances
2. FY 2021 - Certifications Summary of Changes

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Michael Knight, Public Works Director

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager

Not every provision of every certification will apply to every applicant or award. If a provision of a certification does not apply to the applicant or its award, FTA will not enforce that provision. Refer to FTA's accompanying Instructions document for more information.

Text in italics is guidance to the public. It does not have the force and effect of law, and is not meant to bind the public in any way. It is intended only to provide clarity to the public regarding existing requirements under the law or agency policies.

CATEGORY 1. CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES REQUIRED OF EVERY APPLICANT.

All applicants must make the certifications in this category.

1.1. Standard Assurances.

The certifications in this subcategory appear as part of the applicant's registration or annual registration renewal in the System for Award Management (SAM.gov) and on the Office of Management and Budget's standard form 424B "Assurances—Non-Construction Programs". This certification has been modified in places to include analogous certifications required by U.S. DOT statutes or regulations.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, you certify that the applicant:

- (a) Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
- (b) Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
- (c) Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
- (d) Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
- (e) Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4728–4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 CFR 900, Subpart F).

- (f) Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to:
- (1) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin, as effectuated by U.S. DOT regulation 49 CFR Part 21;
 - (2) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§ 1681–1683, and 1685–1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, as effectuated by U.S. DOT regulation 49 CFR Part 25;
 - (3) Section 5332 of the Federal Transit Law (49 U.S.C. § 5332), which prohibits any person being excluded from participating in, denied a benefit of, or discriminated against under, a project, program, or activity receiving financial assistance from FTA because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age.
 - (4) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps, as effectuated by U.S. DOT regulation 49 CFR Part 27;
 - (5) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101–6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age;
 - (6) The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse;
 - (7) The comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91–616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism;
 - (8) Sections 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§ 290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records;
 - (9) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental, or financing of housing;
 - (10) Any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and,
 - (11) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
- (g) Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (“Uniform Act”) (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases. The requirements of the Uniform Act are effectuated by U.S. DOT regulation 49 CFR Part 24.

- (h) Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§ 1501–1508 and 7324–7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
- (i) Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis–Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. § 276c and 18 U.S.C. § 874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 327–333), regarding labor standards for federally assisted construction subagreements.
- (j) Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
- (k) Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following:
 - (1) Institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514;
 - (2) Notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738;
 - (3) Protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990;
 - (4) Evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988;
 - (5) Assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§ 1451 et seq.);
 - (6) Conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq.);
 - (7) Protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and
 - (8) Protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93–205).
- (l) Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. § 1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
- (m) Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. § 470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§ 469a-1 et seq.).
- (n) Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
- (o) Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§ 2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded

- animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
- (p) Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
 - (q) Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F, “Audit Requirements”, as adopted and implemented by U.S. DOT at 2 CFR Part 1201.
 - (r) Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing the program under which it is applying for assistance.
 - (s) Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. § 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from:
 - (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect;
 - (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect; or
 - (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

1.2. Standard Assurances: Additional Assurances for Construction Projects.

This certification appears on the Office of Management and Budget’s standard form 424D “Assurances—Construction Programs” and applies specifically to federally assisted projects for construction. This certification has been modified in places to include analogous certifications required by U.S. DOT statutes or regulations.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, you certify that the applicant:

- (a) Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency; will record the Federal awarding agency directives; and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure nondiscrimination during the useful life of the project.
- (b) Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review, and approval of construction plans and specifications.
- (c) Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work confirms with the approved plans and specifications, and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.

1.3. Procurement.

The Uniform Administrative Requirements, 2 CFR § 200.324, allow a recipient to self-certify that its procurement system complies with Federal requirements, in lieu of submitting to certain pre-procurement reviews.

The applicant certifies that its procurement system complies with:

- (a) U.S. DOT regulations, “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards,” 2 CFR Part 1201, which incorporates by reference U.S. OMB regulatory guidance, “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards,” 2 CFR Part 200, particularly 2 CFR §§ 200.317–200.326 “Procurement Standards;
- (b) Federal laws, regulations, and requirements applicable to FTA procurements; and
- (c) The latest edition of FTA Circular 4220.1 and other applicable Federal guidance.

1.4. Suspension and Debarment.

Pursuant to Executive Order 12549, as implemented at 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200, prior to entering into a covered transaction with an applicant, FTA must determine whether the applicant is excluded from participating in covered non-procurement transactions. For this purpose, FTA is authorized to collect a certification from each applicant regarding the applicant’s exclusion status. 2 CFR § 180.300. Additionally, each applicant must disclose any information required by 2 CFR § 180.335 about the applicant and the applicant’s principals prior to entering into an award agreement with FTA. This certification serves both purposes.

The applicant certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the applicant and each of its principals:

- (a) Is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily or involuntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Has not, within the preceding three years, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against him or her for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public or private agreement or transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes, including those proscribing price fixing between competitors, allocation of customers between competitors, and bid rigging; commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, receiving stolen property, making false claims, or obstruction of justice; or commission of any other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty;

- (c) Is not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any offense described in paragraph (b) of this certification;
- (d) Has not, within the preceding three years, had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

1.5. Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021, and CARES Act Funding.

The applicant certifies that, to the maximum extent possible, and consistent with the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260):

- (a) Funds made available under title IV of division M of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260), and in title XII of division B of the CARES Act (Public Law 116–136; 134 Stat. 599) shall be directed to payroll and operations of public transit (including payroll and expenses of private providers of public transportation); or
- (b) The applicant certifies that the applicant has not furloughed any employees.

CATEGORY 2. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY SAFETY PLANS

This certification is required of each applicant under the Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program (49 U.S.C. § 5307), each rail operator that is subject to FTA’s state safety oversight programs, and each State that is required to draft and certify a public transportation agency safety plan on behalf of a small public transportation provider pursuant to 49 CFR § 673.11(d). This certification is required by 49 CFR § 673.13.

This certification does not apply to any applicant that receives financial assistance from FTA exclusively under the Formula Grants for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors Program (49 U.S.C. § 5310), the Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program (49 U.S.C. § 5311), or combination of these two programs.

If the applicant is an operator, the applicant certifies that it has established a public transportation agency safety plan meeting the requirements of 49 CFR Part 673.

If the applicant is a State, the applicant certifies that:

- (a) It has drafted a public transportation agency safety plan for each small public transportation provider within the State, unless the small public transportation provider provided notification to the State that it was opting-out of the State-drafted plan and drafting its own public transportation agency safety plan; and
- (b) Each small public transportation provider within the state has a public transportation agency safety plan that has been approved by the provider’s Accountable Executive

(as that term is defined at 49 CFR § 673.5) and Board of Directors or Equivalent Authority (as that term is defined at 49 CFR § 673.5).

CATEGORY 3. TAX LIABILITY AND FELONY CONVICTIONS.

If the applicant is a business association (regardless of for-profit, not for-profit, or tax exempt status), it must make this certification. Federal appropriations acts since at least 2014 have prohibited FTA from using funds to enter into an agreement with any corporation that has unpaid Federal tax liabilities or recent felony convictions without first considering the corporation for debarment. E.g., Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. 116-260, div. E, title VII, §§ 744–745. U.S. DOT Order 4200.6 defines a “corporation” as “any private corporation, partnership, trust, joint-stock company, sole proprietorship, or other business association”, and applies the restriction to all tiers of subawards. As prescribed by U.S. DOT Order 4200.6, FTA requires each business association applicant to certify as to its tax and felony status.

If the applicant is a private corporation, partnership, trust, joint-stock company, sole proprietorship, or other business association, the applicant certifies that:

- (a) It has no unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and
- (b) It has not been convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

CATEGORY 4. LOBBYING.

If the applicant will apply for a grant or cooperative agreement exceeding \$100,000, or a loan, line of credit, loan guarantee, or loan insurance exceeding \$150,000, it must make the following certification and, if applicable, make a disclosure regarding the applicant’s lobbying activities. This certification is required by 49 CFR § 20.110 and app. A to that part.

This certification does not apply to an applicant that is an Indian Tribe, Indian organization, or an Indian tribal organization exempt from the requirements of 49 CFR Part 20.

4.1. Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements.

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or

an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

- (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

4.2. Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance.

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

CATEGORY 5. PRIVATE SECTOR PROTECTIONS.

If the applicant will apply for funds that it will use to acquire or operate public transportation facilities or equipment, the applicant must make the following certification regarding protections for the private sector.

5.1. Charter Service Agreement.

To enforce the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(d), FTA's charter service regulation requires each applicant seeking assistance from FTA for the purpose of acquiring or operating any public transportation equipment or facilities to make the following Charter Service Agreement. 49 CFR § 604.4.

The applicant agrees that it, and each of its subrecipients, and third party contractors at any level who use FTA-funded vehicles, may provide charter service using equipment or facilities acquired with Federal assistance authorized under the Federal Transit Laws only in compliance with the regulations set out in 49 CFR Part 604, the terms and conditions of which are incorporated herein by reference.

5.2. School Bus Agreement.

To enforce the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(f), FTA's school bus regulation requires each applicant seeking assistance from FTA for the purpose of acquiring or operating any public transportation equipment or facilities to make the following agreement regarding the provision of school bus services. 49 CFR § 605.15.

- (a) If the applicant is not authorized by the FTA Administrator under 49 CFR § 605.11 to engage in school bus operations, the applicant agrees and certifies as follows:
 - (1) The applicant and any operator of project equipment agrees that it will not engage in school bus operations in competition with private school bus operators.
 - (2) The applicant agrees that it will not engage in any practice which constitutes a means of avoiding the requirements of this agreement, part 605 of the Federal Mass Transit Regulations, or section 164(b) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 (49 U.S.C. 1602a(b)).
- (b) If the applicant is authorized or obtains authorization from the FTA Administrator to engage in school bus operations under 49 CFR § 605.11, the applicant agrees as follows:
 - (1) The applicant agrees that neither it nor any operator of project equipment will engage in school bus operations in competition with private school bus operators except as provided herein.
 - (2) The applicant, or any operator of project equipment, agrees to promptly notify the FTA Administrator of any changes in its operations which might jeopardize the continuation of an exemption under § 605.11.
 - (3) The applicant agrees that it will not engage in any practice which constitutes a means of avoiding the requirements of this agreement, part 605 of the Federal Transit Administration regulations or section 164(b) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 (49 U.S.C. 1602a(b)).
 - (4) The applicant agrees that the project facilities and equipment shall be used for the provision of mass transportation services within its urban area and that any other

use of project facilities and equipment will be incidental to and shall not interfere with the use of such facilities and equipment in mass transportation service to the public.

CATEGORY 6. TRANSIT ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN.

If the applicant owns, operates, or manages capital assets used to provide public transportation, the following certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5326(a).

The applicant certifies that it is in compliance with 49 CFR Part 625.

CATEGORY 7. ROLLING STOCK BUY AMERICA REVIEWS AND BUS TESTING.

7.1. Rolling Stock Buy America Reviews.

If the applicant will apply for an award to acquire rolling stock for use in revenue service, it must make this certification. This certification is required by 49 CFR § 663.7.

The applicant certifies that it will conduct or cause to be conducted the pre-award and post-delivery audits prescribed by 49 CFR Part 663 and will maintain on file the certifications required by Subparts B, C, and D of 49 CFR Part 663.

7.2. Bus Testing.

If the applicant will apply for funds for the purchase or lease of any new bus model, or any bus model with a major change in configuration or components, the applicant must make this certification. This certification is required by 49 CFR § 665.7.

The applicant certifies that the bus was tested at the Bus Testing Facility and that the bus received a passing test score as required by 49 CFR Part 665. The applicant has received or will receive the appropriate full Bus Testing Report and any applicable partial testing reports before final acceptance of the first vehicle.

CATEGORY 8. URBANIZED AREA FORMULA GRANTS PROGRAM.

If the applicant will apply for an award under the Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program (49 U.S.C. § 5307), or any other program or award that is subject to the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, including the Formula Grants for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors Program (49 U.S.C. § 5310); “flex funds” from infrastructure programs administered by the Federal Highways Administration (see 49 U.S.C. § 5334(i)); projects that will receive an award authorized by the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (“TIFIA”) (23 U.S.C. §§ 601–609) or State Infrastructure Bank Program (23 U.S.C. § 610) (see 49 U.S.C. § 5323(o)); formula awards or competitive awards to urbanized areas under the Grants for

Buses and Bus Facilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5339(a) and (b)); or low or no emission awards to any area under the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5339(c)), the applicant must make the following certification. This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5307(c)(1).

The applicant certifies that it:

- (a) Has or will have the legal, financial, and technical capacity to carry out the program of projects (developed pursuant 49 U.S.C. § 5307(b)), including safety and security aspects of the program;
- (b) Has or will have satisfactory continuing control over the use of equipment and facilities;
- (c) Will maintain equipment and facilities in accordance with the applicant's transit asset management plan;
- (d) Will ensure that, during non-peak hours for transportation using or involving a facility or equipment of a project financed under this section, a fare that is not more than 50 percent of the peak hour fare will be charged for any—
 - (1) Senior;
 - (2) Individual who, because of illness, injury, age, congenital malfunction, or any other incapacity or temporary or permanent disability (including an individual who is a wheelchair user or has semi-ambulatory capability), cannot use a public transportation service or a public transportation facility effectively without special facilities, planning, or design; and
 - (3) Individual presenting a Medicare card issued to that individual under title II or XVIII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 401 et seq., and 1395 et seq.);
- (e) In carrying out a procurement under 49 U.S.C. § 5307, will comply with 49 U.S.C. §§ 5323 (general provisions) and 5325 (contract requirements);
- (f) Has complied with 49 U.S.C. § 5307(b) (program of projects requirements);
- (g) Has available and will provide the required amounts as provided by 49 U.S.C. § 5307(d) (cost sharing);
- (h) Will comply with 49 U.S.C. §§ 5303 (metropolitan transportation planning) and 5304 (statewide and nonmetropolitan transportation planning);
- (i) Has a locally developed process to solicit and consider public comment before raising a fare or carrying out a major reduction of transportation;
- (j) Either—
 - (1) Will expend for each fiscal year for public transportation security projects, including increased lighting in or adjacent to a public transportation system (including bus stops, subway stations, parking lots, and garages), increased camera surveillance of an area in or adjacent to that system, providing an emergency telephone line to contact law enforcement or security personnel in an area in or adjacent to that system, and any other project intended to increase the security and safety of an existing or planned public transportation system, at least

- 1 percent of the amount the recipient receives for each fiscal year under 49 U.S.C. § 5336; or
- (2) Has decided that the expenditure for security projects is not necessary;
- (k) In the case of an applicant for an urbanized area with a population of not fewer than 200,000 individuals, as determined by the Bureau of the Census, will submit an annual report listing projects carried out in the preceding fiscal year under 49 U.S.C. § 5307 for associated transit improvements as defined in 49 U.S.C. § 5302; and
- (l) Will comply with 49 U.S.C. § 5329(d) (public transportation agency safety plan).

CATEGORY 9. FORMULA GRANTS FOR RURAL AREAS.

If the applicant will apply for funds made available to it under the Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program (49 U.S.C. § 5311), it must make this certification. Paragraph (a) of this certification helps FTA make the determinations required by 49 U.S.C. § 5310(b)(2)(C). Paragraph (b) of this certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5311(f)(2). Paragraph (c) of this certification, which applies to funds apportioned for the Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program, is necessary to enforce the conditions of 49 U.S.C. § 5311(c)(2)(D).

- (a) The applicant certifies that its State program for public transportation service projects, including agreements with private providers for public transportation service—
 - (1) Provides a fair distribution of amounts in the State, including Indian reservations; and
 - (2) Provides the maximum feasible coordination of public transportation service assisted under 49 U.S.C. § 5311 with transportation service assisted by other Federal sources; and
- (b) If the applicant will in any fiscal year expend less than 15% of the total amount made available to it under 49 U.S.C. § 5311 to carry out a program to develop and support intercity bus transportation, the applicant certifies that it has consulted with affected intercity bus service providers, and the intercity bus service needs of the State are being met adequately.
- (c) If the applicant will use for a highway project amounts that cannot be used for operating expenses authorized under 49 U.S.C. § 5311(c)(2) (Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program), the applicant certifies that—
 - (1) It has approved the use in writing only after providing appropriate notice and an opportunity for comment and appeal to affected public transportation providers; and
 - (2) It has determined that otherwise eligible local transit needs are being addressed.

**CATEGORY 10. FIXED GUIDEWAY CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS AND THE
EXPEDITED PROJECT DELIVERY FOR CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS
PILOT PROGRAM.**

If the applicant will apply for an award under any subsection of the Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Program (49 U.S.C. § 5309), including an award made pursuant to the FAST Act's Expedited Project Delivery for Capital Investment Grants Pilot Program (Pub. L. 114-94, div. A, title III, § 3005(b)), the applicant must make the following certification. This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5309(c)(2) and Pub. L. 114-94, div. A, title III, § 3005(b)(3)(B).

The applicant certifies that it:

- (a) Has or will have the legal, financial, and technical capacity to carry out its Award, including the safety and security aspects of that Award,
- (b) Has or will have satisfactory continuing control over the use of equipment and facilities acquired or improved under its Award.
- (c) Will maintain equipment and facilities acquired or improved under its Award in accordance with its transit asset management plan; and
- (d) Will comply with 49 U.S.C. §§ 5303 (metropolitan transportation planning) and 5304 (statewide and nonmetropolitan transportation planning).

**CATEGORY 11. GRANTS FOR BUSES AND BUS FACILITIES AND LOW OR NO
EMISSION VEHICLE DEPLOYMENT GRANT PROGRAMS.**

If the applicant is in an urbanized area and will apply for an award under subsection (a) (formula grants) or subsection (b) (competitive grants) of the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5339), the applicant must make the certification in Category 8 for Urbanized Area Formula Grants (49 U.S.C. § 5307). This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5339(a)(3) and (b)(6), respectively.

If the applicant is in a rural area and will apply for an award under subsection (a) (formula grants) or subsection (b) (competitive grants) of the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5339), the applicant must make the certification in Category 9 for Formula Grants for Rural Areas (49 U.S.C. § 5311). This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5339(a)(3) and (b)(6), respectively.

If the applicant, regardless of whether it is in an urbanized or rural area, will apply for an award under subsection (c) (low or no emission vehicle grants) of the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5339), the applicant must make the certification in Category 8 for Urbanized Area Formula Grants (49 U.S.C. § 5307). This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5339(c)(3).

Making this certification will incorporate by reference the applicable certifications in Category 8 or Category 9.

CATEGORY 12. ENHANCED MOBILITY OF SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAMS.

If the applicant will apply for an award under the Formula Grants for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5310), it must make the certification in Category 8 for Urbanized Area Formula Grants (49 U.S.C. § 5307). This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5310(e)(1). Making this certification will incorporate by reference the certification in Category 8, except that FTA has determined that (d), (f), (i), (j), and (k) of Category 8 do not apply to awards made under 49 U.S.C. § 5310 and will not be enforced.

In addition to the certification in Category 8, the applicant must make the following certification that is specific to the Formula Grants for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program. This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5310(e)(2).

The applicant certifies that:

- (a) The projects selected by the applicant are included in a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan;
- (b) The plan described in clause (a) was developed and approved through a process that included participation by seniors, individuals with disabilities, representatives of public, private, and nonprofit transportation and human services providers, and other members of the public;
- (c) To the maximum extent feasible, the services funded under 49 U.S.C. § 5310 will be coordinated with transportation services assisted by other Federal departments and agencies, including any transportation activities carried out by a recipient of a grant from the Department of Health and Human Services; and
- (d) If the applicant will allocate funds received under 49 U.S.C. § 5310 to subrecipients, it will do so on a fair and equitable basis.

CATEGORY 13. STATE OF GOOD REPAIR GRANTS.

If the applicant will apply for an award under FTA's State of Good Repair Grants Program (49 U.S.C. § 5337), it must make the following certification. Because FTA generally does not review the transit asset management plans of public transportation providers, this certification is necessary to enforce the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 5337(a)(4).

The applicant certifies that the projects it will carry out using assistance authorized by the State of Good Repair Grants Program, 49 U.S.C. § 5337, are aligned with the applicant's most recent

transit asset management plan and are identified in the investment and prioritization section of such plan, consistent with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 625.

CATEGORY 14. INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE PROGRAMS.

If the applicant will apply for an award for a project that will include assistance under the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (“TIFIA”) Program (23 U.S.C. §§ 601–609) or the State Infrastructure Banks (“SIB”) Program (23 U.S.C. § 610), it must make the certifications in Category 8 for the Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program, Category 10 for the Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Grants program, and Category 13 for the State of Good Repair Grants program. These certifications are required by 49 U.S.C. § 5323(o).

Making this certification will incorporate the certifications in Categories 8, 10, and 13 by reference.

CATEGORY 15. ALCOHOL AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES TESTING.

If the applicant will apply for an award under FTA’s Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program (49 U.S.C. § 5307), Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Program (49 U.S.C. § 5309), Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program (49 U.S.C. § 5311), or Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5339) programs, the applicant must make the following certification. The applicant must make this certification on its own behalf and on behalf of its subrecipients and contractors. This certification is required by 49 CFR § 655.83.

The applicant certifies that it, its subrecipients, and its contractors are compliant with FTA’s regulation for the Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use in Transit Operations, 49 CFR Part 655.

CATEGORY 16. RAIL SAFETY TRAINING AND OVERSIGHT.

If the applicant is a State with at least one rail fixed guideway system, or is a State Safety Oversight Agency, or operates a rail fixed guideway system, it must make the following certification. The elements of this certification are required by 49 CFR §§ 659.43, 672.31, and 674.39.

The applicant certifies that the rail fixed guideway public transportation system and the State Safety Oversight Agency for the State are:

- (a) Compliant with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 659, “Rail Fixed Guideway Systems; State Safety Oversight”;
- (b) Compliant with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 672, “Public Transportation Safety Certification Training Program”; and
- (c) Compliant with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 674, “State Safety Oversight”.

CATEGORY 17. DEMAND RESPONSIVE SERVICE.

If the applicant operates demand responsive service and will apply for an award to purchase a non-rail vehicle that is not accessible within the meaning of 49 CFR Part 37, it must make the following certification. This certification is required by 49 CFR § 37.77.

The applicant certifies that the service it provides to individuals with disabilities is equivalent to that provided to other persons. A demand responsive system, when viewed in its entirety, is deemed to provide equivalent service if the service available to individuals with disabilities, including individuals who use wheelchairs, is provided in the most integrated setting appropriate to the needs of the individual and is equivalent to the service provided other individuals with respect to the following service characteristics:

- (a) Response time;
- (b) Fares;
- (c) Geographic area of service;
- (d) Hours and days of service;
- (e) Restrictions or priorities based on trip purpose;
- (f) Availability of information and reservation capability; and
- (g) Any constraints on capacity or service availability.

CATEGORY 18. INTEREST AND FINANCING COSTS.

If the applicant will pay for interest or other financing costs of a project using assistance awarded under the Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program (49 U.S.C. § 5307), the Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Grants Program (49 U.S.C. § 5309), or any program that must comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, including the Formula Grants for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors Program (49 U.S.C. § 5310), “flex funds” from infrastructure programs administered by the Federal Highways Administration (see 49 U.S.C. § 5334(i)), or awards to urbanized areas under the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5339), the applicant must make the following certification. This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. §§ 5307(e)(3) and 5309(k)(2)(D).

The applicant certifies that:

- (a) Its application includes the cost of interest earned and payable on bonds issued by the applicant only to the extent proceeds of the bonds were or will be expended in carrying out the project identified in its application; and
- (b) The applicant has shown or will show reasonable diligence in seeking the most favorable financing terms available to the project at the time of borrowing.

CATEGORY 19. CONSTRUCTION HIRING PREFERENCES.

If the applicant will ask FTA to approve the use of geographic, economic, or any other hiring preference not otherwise authorized by law on any contract or construction project to be assisted with an award from FTA, it must make the following certification. This certification is required by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. 116-260, div. L, title I, § 199(b).

The applicant certifies the following:

- (a) That except with respect to apprentices or trainees, a pool of readily available but unemployed individuals possessing the knowledge, skill, and ability to perform the work that the contract requires resides in the jurisdiction;
- (b) That the grant recipient will include appropriate provisions in its bid document ensuring that the contractor does not displace any of its existing employees in order to satisfy such hiring preference; and
- (c) That any increase in the cost of labor, training, or delays resulting from the use of such hiring preference does not delay or displace any transportation project in the applicable Statewide Transportation Improvement Program or Transportation Improvement Program.

CATEGORY 20. CYBERSECURITY CERTIFICATION FOR RAIL ROLLING STOCK AND OPERATIONS.

If the applicant operates a rail fixed guideway public transportation system, it must make this certification. This certification is required by 49 U.S.C. § 5323(v), a new subsection added by the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020, Pub. L. 116-92, § 7613 (Dec. 20, 2019). For information about standards or practices that may apply to a rail fixed guideway public transportation system, visit <https://www.nist.gov/cyberframework> and <https://www.cisa.gov/>.

The applicant certifies that it has established a process to develop, maintain, and execute a written plan for identifying and reducing cybersecurity risks that complies with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(v)(2).

CATEGORY 21. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS FORMULA AND DISCRETIONARY PROGRAM (TRIBAL TRANSIT PROGRAMS).

Before FTA may provide Federal assistance for an Award financed under either the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Formula or Discretionary Program authorized under 49 U.S.C. § 5311(c)(1), as amended by the FAST Act, (Tribal Transit Programs), the applicant must select the Certifications in Category 21, except as FTA determines otherwise in writing.

Tribal Transit Program applicants may certify to this Category and Category 1 (Certifications and Assurances Required of Every Applicant) and need not make any other certification, to meet Tribal Transit Program certification requirements. If an applicant will apply for any program in addition to the Tribal Transit Program, additional certifications may be required.

FTA has established terms and conditions for Tribal Transit Program grants financed with Federal assistance appropriated or made available under 49 U.S.C. § 5311(c)(1). The applicant certifies that:

- (a) It has or will have the legal, financial, and technical capacity to carry out its Award, including the safety and security aspects of that Award.
- (b) It has or will have satisfactory continuing control over the use of its equipment and facilities acquired or improved under its Award.
- (c) It will maintain its equipment and facilities acquired or improved under its Award, in accordance with its transit asset management plan and consistent with FTA regulations, “Transit Asset Management,” 49 CFR Part 625. Its Award will achieve maximum feasible coordination with transportation service financed by other federal sources.
- (d) With respect to its procurement system:
 - (1) It will have a procurement system that complies with U.S. DOT regulations, “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards,” 2 CFR Part 1201, which incorporates by reference U.S. OMB regulatory guidance, “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards,” 2 CFR Part 200, for Awards made on or after December 26, 2014,
 - (2) It will have a procurement system that complies with U.S. DOT regulations, “Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments,” 49 CFR Part 18, specifically former 49 CFR § 18.36, for Awards made before December 26, 2014, or
 - (3) It will inform FTA promptly if its procurement system does not comply with either of those U.S. DOT regulations.
- (e) It will comply with the Certifications, Assurances, and Agreements in:
 - (1) Category 05.1 and 05.2 (Charter Service Agreement and School Bus Agreement),
 - (2) Category 06 (Transit Asset Management Plan),
 - (3) Category 07.1 and 07.2 (Rolling Stock Buy America Reviews and Bus Testing),
 - (4) Category 09 (Formula Grants for Rural Areas),
 - (5) Category 15 (Alcohol and Controlled Substances Testing), and
 - (6) Category 17 (Demand Responsive Service).

FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2021 CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES FOR FTA ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

(Signature pages alternate to providing Certifications and Assurances in TrAMS.)

Name of Applicant: City of Porterville

The Applicant certifies to the applicable provisions of categories 01–21. x

Or,

The Applicant certifies to the applicable provisions of the categories it has selected:

Category	Certification
01 Certifications and Assurances Required of Every Applicant	
02 Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans	
03 Tax Liability and Felony Convictions	
04 Lobbying	
05 Private Sector Protections	
06 Transit Asset Management Plan	
07 Rolling Stock Buy America Reviews and Bus Testing	
08 Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program	
09 Formula Grants for Rural Areas	
10 Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Grants and the Expedited Project Delivery for Capital Investment Grants Pilot Program	
11 Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities and Low or No Emission Vehicle Deployment Grant Programs	

12 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Programs

13 State of Good Repair Grants

14 Infrastructure Finance Programs

15 Alcohol and Controlled Substances Testing

16 Rail Safety Training and Oversight

17 Demand Responsive Service

18 Interest and Financing Costs

19 Construction Hiring Preferences

20 Cybersecurity Certification for Rail Rolling Stock and Operations

21 Tribal Transit Programs

FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2021 FTA CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES SIGNATURE

PAGE

(Required of all Applicants for federal assistance to be awarded by FTA in FY 2021)

AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANT

Name of the Applicant: City of Porterville

BY SIGNING BELOW, on behalf of the Applicant, I declare that it has duly authorized me to make these Certifications and Assurances and bind its compliance. Thus, it agrees to comply with all federal laws, regulations, and requirements, follow applicable federal guidance, and comply with the Certifications and Assurances as indicated on the foregoing page applicable to each application its Authorized Representative makes to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in federal fiscal year 2021, irrespective of whether the individual that acted on his or her Applicant's behalf continues to represent it.

FTA intends that the Certifications and Assurances the Applicant selects on the other side of this document should apply to each Award for which it now seeks, or may later seek federal assistance to be awarded during federal fiscal year 2021.

The Applicant affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the Certifications and Assurances it has selected in the statements submitted with this document and any other submission made to FTA, and acknowledges that the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 *et seq.*, and implementing U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 CFR part 31, apply to any certification, assurance or submission made to

FTA. The criminal provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 apply to any certification, assurance, or submission made in connection with a federal public transportation program authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53 or any other statute

In signing this document, I declare under penalties of perjury that the foregoing Certifications and Assurances, and any other statements made by me on behalf of the Applicant are true and accurate.

Signature _____ Date: March 2, 2021

Name John D. Lollis, City Manager Authorized Representative of Applicant

AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY

For (Name of Applicant): City of Porterville

As the undersigned Attorney for the above-named Applicant, I hereby affirm to the Applicant that it has authority under state, local, or tribal government law, as applicable, to make and comply with the Certifications and Assurances as indicated on the foregoing pages. I further affirm that, in my opinion, the Certifications and Assurances have been legally made and constitute legal and binding obligations on it.

I further affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, there is no legislation or litigation pending or imminent that might adversely affect the validity of these Certifications and Assurances, or of the performance of its FTA assisted Award.

Signature _____ Date: March 2, 2021

Name Julia M. Lew, City Attorney Attorney for Applicant

Each Applicant for federal assistance to be awarded by FTA must provide an Affirmation of Applicant's Attorney pertaining to the Applicant's legal capacity. The Applicant may enter its electronic signature in lieu of the Attorney's signature within TrAMS, provided the Applicant has on file and uploaded to TrAMS this hard-copy Affirmation, signed by the attorney and dated this federal fiscal year.

Certifications & Assurances

Fiscal Year 2021

For Federal fiscal year 2021, FTA made the following changes to the annual Certifications and Assurances. This document is guidance to the public. It does not have the force and effect of law, and is not meant to bind the public in any way. It is intended only to provide clarity to the public regarding existing requirements under the law or agency policies.

Added coronavirus relief and CARES Act certification

The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (Pub. L. 116–260, Div. M), requires that, to the maximum extent possible, funds made available under the Act and in title XII of division B of the CARES Act (Pub. L. 116–136) shall be directed to payroll and operations of public transit (including payroll and expenses of private providers of public transportation), unless the recipient certifies that it has not furloughed any employees.

Removed certification regarding restricted telecommunications and video surveillance equipment and services

The John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. 115–232, § 889 (Aug. 13, 2018), prohibits FTA from obligating or expending grant funds to acquire “covered telecommunications equipment or services” from companies based in the People’s Republic of China after August 13, 2020. For Fiscal Year 2020, FTA required applicants to certify that they would not use Federal funds to acquire the covered equipment or services after the effective date. The covered equipment and services still are ineligible for Federal funding, however, in August 2020, the U.S. Office of Management and Budget added a new regulation, 2 CFR § 200.216 (“Prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment”), rendering FTA’s certification unnecessary.

Updated certification regarding public transportation agency safety plans (PTASP)

For Fiscal Year 2020, FTA required this certification from each applicant under the Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program (49 U.S.C. § 5307), each rail operator that is subject to FTA’s state safety oversight programs, and each State that is required to draft and certify a public transportation agency safety plan on behalf of a small public transportation provider pursuant to 49 CFR § 673.11(d) by July 20, 2020. FTA updated the annotation before this certification to reflect that the effective date has passed and certification is required.



(Note: On April 22, 2020, FTA published a temporary Notice of Enforcement Discretion stating that, in light of the extraordinary operational challenges presented by the COVID-19 public health emergency, FTA would refrain from taking enforcement action until December 31, 2020, if an FTA recipient or subrecipient subject to the PTASP regulation is unable to certify that it has established an Agency Safety Plan that complies with the regulation. On December 11, 2020, FTA published a second Notice of Enforcement Discretion extending the period of nonenforcement to July 20, 2021.)

Added catch-all certification for Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Formula and Discretionary Programs (Tribal Transit Programs)

To reduce confusion and administrative burden on federally recognized Indian tribes, FTA created a catch-all certification for the Tribal Transit Programs. Tribal Transit Program applicants may certify to this catch-all Category and Category 1 (Certifications and Assurances Required of Every Applicant), and need not make any other certification to meet Tribal Transit Program certification requirements. If an applicant will apply for any program in addition to the Tribal Transit Program, additional certifications may be required.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Authorization to Execute Consultant Service Agreement - Island Annexation Sewer Project

SOURCE: Engineering and Project Management

COMMENT: At its meeting on May 3, 2011, the City Council authorized the execution of a service agreement with 4Creeks Engineering and Land Surveying to design plans for the installation of City sewer services in island annexation areas 456A and 457. Budget constraints prevented the completion of the construction of City sewer services within island annexation area 457.

City staff is currently working on projects to complete the installation of City sewer services in previously unincorporated areas; including island annexation area 457.

Since it's original design, additional development in the area is requiring the update and redesign of portions of these plans. Staff reached out to 4Creeks as the original plans designer for this project area, to request an estimate for the redesign of the project area, the update of required specifications, and an update of the Engineer's estimate of probable cost.

The estimate for redesign work requested from 4Creeks is \$28,505. Staff has found this estimate acceptable. Funding for this work is available from the balance remaining in the 2011 Sewer Revenue Bonds project fund.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council:

1. Authorize the Mayor to execute the Consultant Service Agreement with 4Creeks at the agreed upon fees;
2. Authorize progress payments up to 100% of the fee amount;
- and
3. Authorize a 10% contingency to cover unforeseen costs.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Consultant Agreement - 4Creeks
2. Locator Map - Area 457

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Javier Sanchez, Engineering & Project Management Director

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager



February 22, 2021

Daniel Cervantez

Public Works Director
City of Porterville
291 N. Main Street
Porterville, CA 93257

**Subject: Island Annexation Sewer Project – Annexation No. 457
Civil Engineering Design Proposal**

Dear Mr. Cervantez,

We have prepared a scope and fee for the services required to complete the proposed project design for the City of Porterville Island Annexation Sewer Project - Annexation No. 457. Our understanding is that the scope of work will generally include the following improvements:

- Update and revise the sanitary sewer construction documents that were previously prepared in 2011.
- Updated construction documents will only include the properties within Annexation No. 457.

Below you will find a breakdown of the tasks needed to complete this project.

Task 1: Project Management

4Creeks will act as the prime consultant and will manage the design team's progress throughout the life of the project. The City of Porterville will act as the Contract Administrator for the project. The purpose of the Project Management task is to organize the efforts of the project team and the City to keep the project on schedule and on budget.

- Administration
- Manage and update the project schedule in coordination with the City of Porterville.
- Schedule meetings in coordination with the City of Porterville. We plan to hold Zoom Conference Video meetings with the City to minimize costs to the City as necessary.
- Ensure that the City's questions/correspondence is responded to within two (2) working days of the inquiry.
- Prepare and deliver monthly progress reports and invoices to the City of Porterville.
- Overall Quality Control of the contract documents

The above **Task 1** services will be provided on a **Fixed Fee basis with an Estimated Fee of \$3,240.**

Task 2: Utility Research and Coordination

- Conduct utility research and identify potential conflicts with record utilities.
- Show existing utility locations on construction documents.
- Meet with utility companies at around the 50% design stage after potholing of the potential utility conflicts has been completed to determine if conflicts exist.
- Work with utility companies to address and resolve identified conflicts. Our understanding is that the City will be the lead on utility coordination and 4Creeks staff will assist the City.
- Our understanding is that the City will pay all utility related fees.

The above **Task 2** services will be provided for a **Fixed Fee of \$2,470.**

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For Tasks 3 & 4 Plans and Cost estimates will be provided at the 50% and 100% submittal stages. Specifications will be provided at the 50% and 100% submittal stage.

Task 3: Construction Plans

- 4Creeks anticipates providing the following plan sheets for the project:
 - Cover Sheet & General Notes
 - El Rancho Avenue & Montgomery Avenue Plan & Profile
 - Western Street Plan & Profile
 - Poplar Avenue Plan & Profile
 - Chess Terrace Plan & Profile
 - Cottage Street Plan & Profile
 - Indiana Street Plan & Profile
 - Roberts Avenue & Wisconsin Street
 - Typical Street Cross Sections
 - Typical Construction Details
 - Survey Control Drawing
 - Soil Boring Location Exhibit
- We plan on holding 3 meetings with the City at the following stages: Project Kickoff, 50% and 100% plan submittal stages.
- Address plan check comments from the City at each submittal stage.

The above **Task 3** services will be provided for a **Fixed Fee of \$18,415**.

Task 4: Cost Estimate & Specifications

- Provide opinion of probable cost estimate based on the Construction Documents at the 50% and 100% stages.
- Provide technical specifications, special provisions, and bid item descriptions to complete the project at the 50%, and 100% stages.
- Our understanding is that the City will provide their typical front-end bid document in word format and we will modify all the information for this project and add project related special provisions.

The above **Task 4** services will be provided for a **Fixed Fee of \$4,380**.

Task 5: Bidding Assistance (Optional)

- Attend Pre-Bid Meeting with Contractors
- Provide supplemental instructions and clarifications to bidder RFI's as necessary
- Produce addendums to modify the bid documents (plans and specs) as required.
- Receive bids.
- Tabulate bids after opening and recommend lowest awarded bidder to the City.

The above **Optional Task 5** services can be provided on a **Time and Materials basis with an estimated Fee of \$2,610**.

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Task 6: Construction Assistance (Optional)

- Attend the pre-construction meeting
- Respond to Requests for Information if requested by the City
- Review Submittals if requested by the City
- Issue Contract Document revisions as required
- Assist the City with Change Order review if requested
- Draft a set of Record As-Built plans at project completion using information provided by the City/Contractor

Our understanding is that City staff plans to perform the majority of the RFI responses and Submittal Review services on this project during construction and our staff will only be used in a situation where City staff needs technical assistance with reviews.

The above **Optional Task 6** services can be provided on a **Time and Materials basis with an estimated Fee of \$5,270.**

City of Porterville Responsibilities

Our understanding is that the City will be performing the following tasks or already has other consultants under contract that will perform these tasks and/or provide the information needed for our design.

- Provide a draft set of front-end bid specifications in Word format
- Inserting grant or state funding forms into the bid booklet and compile the final bid booklet
- Provide record drawings for the project area if available
- Provide title reports as needed for the project
- Provide guidance to Consultant scope of work questions
- Provide timely responses to Consultant questions
- Provide As-Built for Annexation No. 456A

Exclusions from Scope

Our understanding is that the City will be performing the following tasks or already has other consultants under contract that will perform these tasks and/or provide the information needed for our design.

- Geotechnical investigation and Reports
- Property deeds
- Title reports
- Right of Way Acquisition Services
- Environmental Permitting
- Video inspection of existing storm and sewer pipes
- Potholing during the design phase
- Record drawings for existing City utilities
- City Font-End Bid documents will be provided in Word format.
- Acquisition of building permits
- Construction Management, Inspection, and Construction Staking
- Our understanding is that the City will pay all application, permit, and utility fees for the project

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4Creeks is capable and willing to perform many of these services and/or hire subconsultants to perform these services as needed by the City. If the City would prefer that 4Creeks add additional tasks to our proposal to cover these services, please let us know.

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Basic Compensation

We will bill the project as follows:

Task 1: Project Management	\$3,240	FF
Task 2: Utility Research & Coordination	\$2,470	FF
Task 3: Construction Plans	\$18,415	FF
Task 4: Cost Estimate & Specifications	\$4,380	FF
Subtotal Tasks 1-4	\$28,505	
Task 5: Bidding Assistance (Optional)	\$2,610	T&M
Task 6: Const. Assistance (Optional)	\$5,270	T&M
Total All Tasks 1-6	\$36,385	

We are excited to have the opportunity to work with the City on this project and look forward to a successful and satisfying working relationship. If you have any questions about the attached scope and fee, or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kyle McDonald'.

Kyle McDonald, PE 82531
Civil Engineer

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Matthew D. Ainley'.

Matthew D. Ainley, PE 66233
Principal-In-Charge

City Approval:

Adrian Monte Reyes, Mayor

Date

encl: Attachment – 4Creeks, Inc. Fee Schedule & Fee Breakdown
Job no: 21051

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4Creeks, Inc. Fee Schedule – Professional

Fees are based on the median hourly pay rate for employees in each classification, plus indirect costs, overhead, and profit. Fee schedules for the various billing categories are:

Classification	Charges Per Hour	Classification	Charges Per Hour
Civil Engineering Services		Construction Inspection (Non-Prevailing Wage)	
Associate Engineer	\$100	Construction Inspector I *	\$110
Engineer I	\$110	Construction Inspector II *	\$120
Engineer II	\$120	Construction Inspector III *	\$130
Engineer III	\$130	Construction Inspector IV *	\$140
Engineer IV	\$140	Construction Inspector V *	\$160
Engineer V	\$150		
Principal Engineer	\$170		
Planning Services		Construction Management	
Planner I	\$90	Construction Manager I	\$120
Planner II	\$105	Construction Manager II	\$130
Planner III	\$120	Construction Manager III	\$140
Planner IV	\$130	Construction Manager IV	\$150
Planner V	\$140	Senior Construction Manager	\$160
Planner VI	\$160		
Structural Engineering Services		Support Staff	
Structural Engineer I	\$125	Project Technician I	\$55
Structural Engineer II	\$135	Project Technician II	\$65
Structural Engineer III	\$145	Project Technician III	\$75
		Project Technician IV	\$85
		Project Technician V	\$95
		Drafter I	\$70
		Drafter II	\$80
GIS Services		Expert Witness	\$205
GIS Technician I	\$90	Drone Pilot	\$155
GIS Technician II	\$100		
Utility Design Services		Executive Staff	
Designer I	\$110	Executive I	\$120
Designer II	\$130	Executive II	\$130
Designer III	\$165	Executive III	\$140
Land Surveying Services		4Creeks Creative	
Assistant Surveyor	\$100	Creative Technician I	\$65
Land Surveyor I	\$110	Creative Technician II	\$75
Land Surveyor II	\$120	Creative Technician III	\$85
Land Surveyor III	\$130	Creative Technician IV	\$95
Land Surveyor IV	\$140	Programmer / Developer I	\$105
Land Surveyor V	\$150	Programmer / Developer II	\$115
Principal Land Surveyor	\$170	Creative Director	\$120
1-Man Survey Crew *	\$105	Director of Business Development	\$145
1-Man Survey Crew – Construction Staking *	\$115		
2-Man Survey Crew *	\$175		
2-Man Survey Crew – Construction Staking *	\$185		

Direct Charges

At cost plus fifteen percent (15%):

- Transportation and per-diem expenses (auto mileage @ current IRS rate, off-road charges \$50.00/day)
- Printing and reproduction: \$0.03 per b/w copy, \$0.12 per color copy, \$0.80 per sq. ft. large printing
- Equipment rentals, subcontractors, laboratory analyses
- Website Hosting Fees: \$15/mo. | \$150/annual

*Prevailing wage rates by separate schedule – Varies by County

City of Porterville

Island Annexation Sewer Project - Annexation No. 457

Fee Breakdown

K. McDonald

Project Technician II	Project Tech IV	Project Tech V	Engineer I	Engineer II	Engineer IV	Engineer V	Utility Designer II	Land Surveyor IV	Reimbursable Expenses	TOTAL
\$65.00	\$85.00	\$95.00	\$110.00	\$120.00	\$140.00	\$150.00	\$130.00	\$140.00	Fee Varies	

Task Number

Task 1 - Project Management (For Tasks 1-4)

Tracking Status-Project Coordination						4				\$600
Quality Control/Assurance					6	6				\$1,740
Admin.						6				\$900
										\$3,240

Task 2 - Utility Research & Coordination

Coordinate with Utility Companies							8			\$1,040
Draft Conflict Maps							4			\$520
Assist with Liability Determination							1			\$130
Prepare Exhibits							2			\$260
Conference Call Utility Coordination Meetings							4			\$520
										\$2,470

Task 3 - Construction Plans

50% Plans Submittal	70		40		20	10			\$250.00	\$12,900
100% Plans Submittal	25		20		6	6			\$250.00	\$5,515
										\$18,415

Task 4 - Cost Est. & Specs

50% Submittal			10		8	4				\$2,670
100% Submittal			6		6	2				\$1,710
										\$4,380

Task 5 - (Optional) Bidding Assistance

Assist with Questions during Bidding					4	2				\$860
Addendum Revision Plan Sheets			8		4	2				\$1,620
Admin	2									\$130
										\$2,610

Task 6 - (Optional) Construction Assistance

Respond to RFI's and Document Revisions					8	4				\$1,720
Assist with Minimal Submittal Review					2	1				\$430
Assist with Minimal Change Order Review					2	1				\$430
Draft Record As-Built Drawings			16		3	1			\$150.00	\$2,240
Admin	4		2							\$450
										\$5,270

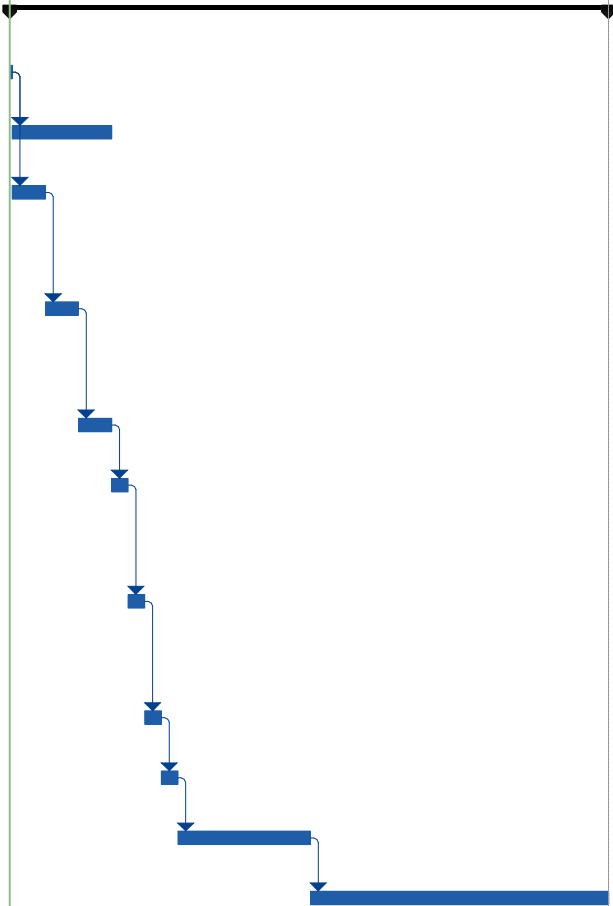
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SUBTOTAL TASKS 1-4 = \$28,505

TOTAL IF ALL TASKS 1-6 INCLUDED = \$36,385

ID	Task Name	Predecessors	Duration	Start	Finish	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
1	Island Annexation Sewer Update		181 days	Mon 2/22/21	Mon 11/1/21												
2	Contract Award - NTP		1 day	Mon 2/22/21	Mon 2/22/21												
3	Utility Research & Coordination	2	30 days	Tue 2/23/21	Mon 4/5/21												
4	50% Plans-Estimate for Internal Review	2	10 days	Tue 2/23/21	Mon 3/8/21												
5	50% 4Creeks Internal Review and Edits	4	10 days	Tue 3/9/21	Mon 3/22/21												
6	50% City of Porterville Review	5	10 days	Tue 3/23/21	Mon 4/5/21												
7	100% Plans-Specs-Estimate for Internal Review	6	5 days	Tue 4/6/21	Mon 4/12/21												
8	100% 4Creeks Internal Review and Edits	7	5 days	Tue 4/13/21	Mon 4/19/21												
9	100% City of Porterville Review	8	5 days	Tue 4/20/21	Mon 4/26/21												
10	Final PS&E Submittal	9	5 days	Tue 4/27/21	Mon 5/3/21												
11	Bidding & Contract Award	10	40 days	Tue 5/4/21	Mon 6/28/21												
12	Construction	11	90 days	Tue 6/29/21	Mon 11/1/21												



Project: 21051-Island Annexation
Date: Mon 2/22/21

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Project Summary

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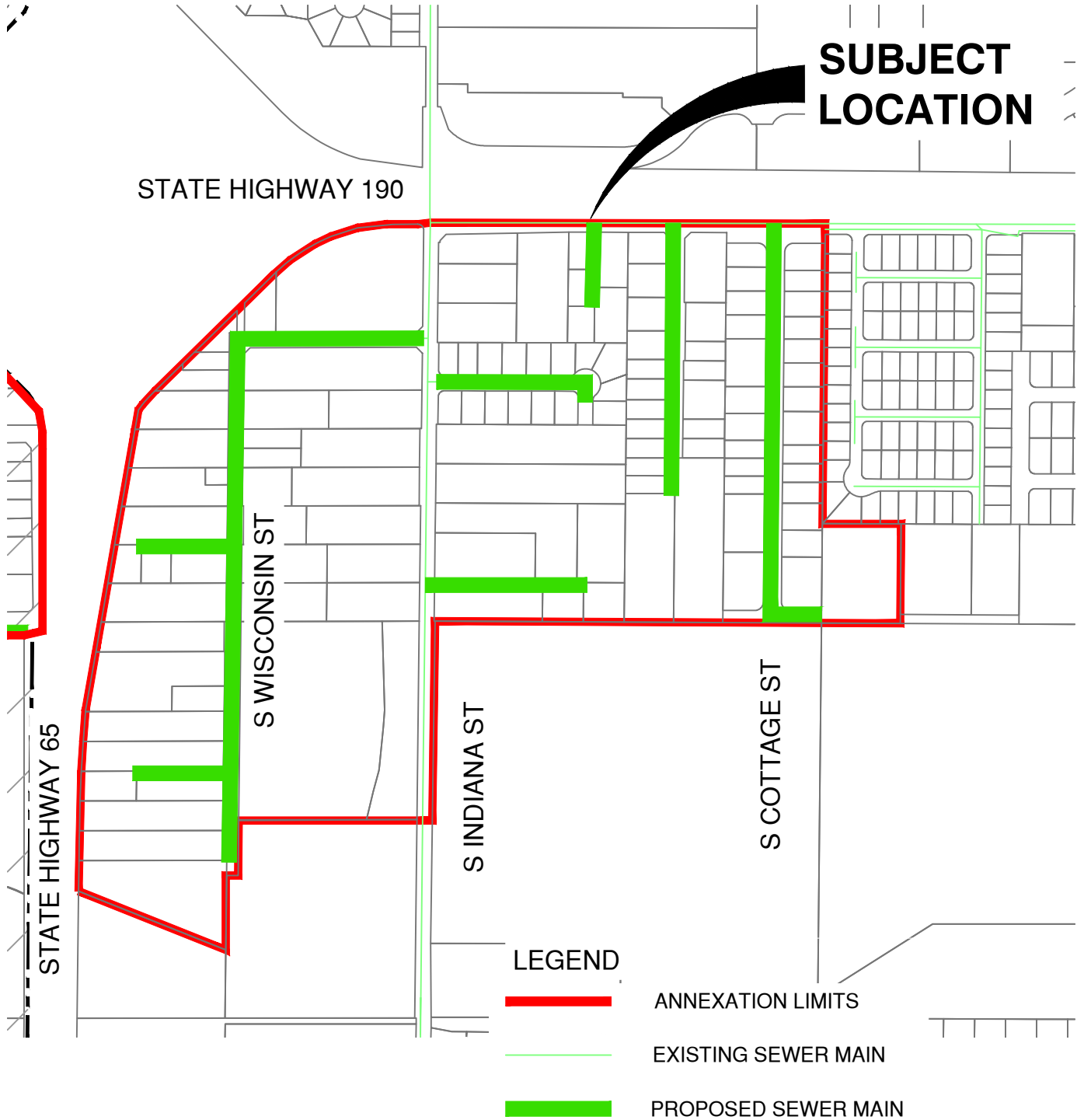
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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Community Clean Up Events

SOURCE: Public Works

COMMENT: To encourage local property maintenance and beautification, the City sponsors two community clean up events each year; one in the Spring and one in the Fall. These events offer City residential customers free disposal of general trash, bulky items, wood waste, yard clippings, and e-waste at the City's Corporation Yard. Last year's Fall event was the largest event to date with 903 vehicles participating, while the Spring event was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Based on the success of prior events, staff recommends the City again host both Community Clean Up Events in 2021. The proposed event dates are Saturday, April 17th and Saturday, October 16th, and given the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, both events would be planned with appropriate and necessary health and safety precautions for staff and participants. Staff is unaware of any community event conflicts with these dates. As is the past, the events are open to all residents receiving City residential refuse service. Staff estimates costs for both events to be approximately \$11,000 funded through the Solid Waste Operating Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council:

1. Declare April 17, 2021, "Spring Clean-Up Day" and October 16, 2021, "Fall Clean-Up Day";
2. Encourage all residents to clean up their properties and take advantage of these special opportunities offered by the City;
3. Authorize the City to accept trash, litter, and yard clippings delivered by City residents receiving City residential refuse service to the Spring and Fall Clean Up Events for free disposal; and
4. Authorize the cost of both events to be funded from the Solid Waste Operating Budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Michael Knight, Public Works Director

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: City Council Member Requested Agenda Item - Local Homeless Update

SOURCE: City Manager's Office

COMMENT: During Other Matters of the City Council's meeting of February 16, 2021, Council Member Peñaloza requested that an item be added to the Consent Agenda for the Council's meeting of March 2, 2021, for the Council to consider a local homeless update as a Scheduled Matter at its meeting of March 16, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve Council Member Peñaloza's request to consider a local homeless update as a Scheduled Matter at its meeting of March 16, 2021.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: City Council Member Requested Agenda Item - Community Cleanup Volunteer Guidelines

SOURCE: City Manager's Office

COMMENT: During Other Matters of the City Council's meeting of February 16, 2021, Vice Mayor Flores requested that an item be added to the Consent Agenda for the Council's meeting of March 2, 2021, for the Council to consider community cleanup volunteer guidelines as a Scheduled Matter at its meeting of March 16, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve Vice Mayor Flores request to consider community cleanup volunteer guidelines as a Scheduled Matter at its meeting of March 16, 2021.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

John Lollis, City Manager

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Status and Review of Local Emergency: Drought

SOURCE: City Manager's Office

COMMENT: Governor Brown issued Executive Order B-29-15 on Wednesday, April 1, 2015, which established drought-related mandates and restrictions in addition to those already stipulated in previous Executive Orders B-26-14 and B-28-14. Of significance, the Governor directed the State Water Resources Control Board to impose restrictions to achieve a statewide 25% reduction in potable urban water usage through February 28, 2016, in comparison to the amount used in 2013, and with consideration given to per capita usage as a basis. The Governor further directed the Board to impose additional restrictions on commercial, industrial, and institutional properties with significant landscaping (cemeteries, golf courses, parks, schools, etc.), to also achieve a 25% reduction in potable water usage. Also of significance, the Board was directed to prohibit irrigation with potable water outside of newly constructed homes and buildings that is not delivered by drip or micro-spray systems.

On November 13, 2015, Governor Brown issued Executive Order B-36-15, which extends emergency conservation regulations through October 2016, if drought conditions persist through January 2016. On February 2, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted extended emergency water conservation regulations, to be in effect March 1 through October 31, 2016. The City of Porterville benefited somewhat from the extended regulations as the City's water conservation rate has been reduced from 32% to 26%, due to new water connections that have been made and population served (4%), as well as a new climate adjustment factor that was considered (2%).

On May 9, 2016, Governor Brown issued Executive Order B-37-16 ("Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life"), which directs the State Water Resources Control Board to establish new regulations making permanent the emergency conservation regulations. On May 18, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted a statewide water conservation approach that replaces the percentage reduction-based water conservation standard with a localized "stress test" approach that mandates urban water suppliers act immediately to ensure at least a three-year supply of water to their customers under continued drought conditions.

On April 7, 2017, Governor Brown issued Executive Order B-40-17, which ended the drought state of emergency in most of California, with the exception of Fresno, Kings, Tulare and Tuolumne counties where emergency water supply

and reliability projects are continuing toward addressing diminishing groundwater supplies. The Order maintains monthly reporting requirements and prohibitions on wasteful practices. It is anticipated that the Governor will end the drought state of emergency in the four remaining counties in the near future.

On May 31, 2018, Governor Brown signed both AB 1668 (Friedman) and SB 606 (Hertzberg), which set permanent overall targets for indoor and outdoor water consumption. The legislation sets an initial limit for indoor water use of 55 gallons per-person per-day in 2022, reducing to 52.5 gallons per-person per-day in 2025, and finally to 50 gallons per-person per-day in 2030. The amount of residential outdoor use is yet-to-be determined, but will allow for varying regional climates. In addition, a standard for water loss due to leak rates in water system pipes will be established. As an urban water provider, the City of Porterville will need to submit its plan for compliance for approval by the State Water Resources Control Board.

At its meeting on February 16, 2021, the City Council took action in the continued affirmation of the adoption of a Resolution of Declaration of Local Emergency due to local residences within the city having been identified as having wells that are now dry as a result of the drought. Twenty-six (26) residences within the city were determined to have dry wells, for which City staff submitted a Mutual Aid Request to Tulare County OES to initiate the household tank program for identified properties within the city where wells are dry and challenged for permanent connection. The State has committed funding for non-profit agencies to continue drought-related activities, which Self-Help Enterprises has continued the household tank program locally, through State Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA) emergency funds.

Representatives for the City, County, State (CalOES, DDW, DWR, and SWB) and non-profit partners have continued to meet in support of the long-term permanent water connection project for the entire East Porterville area and the estimated 1,800 expected future connections. DWR identified 423 residential units in the East Porterville area (381 of which are in the City's Urban Development Boundary), that were served by the County's Household Tank Program and desired by the State to be connected to the City's water distribution system as soon as possible. DWR has completed a significant City waterline extension project to permanently connect those 423 residential units to the City's water system (considered Phase I of the project). To provide initial source water for the DWR extension project, CalOES desired to expeditiously connect the new well on Olive Avenue to the City's water system instead of being first equipped as a filling station. Given the new well has an estimated water production value of 800 gallons per minute, as well as a SWB assumed 1.5 gallons per minute per residence, the new well could effectively serve up to 500 single-family residential units. The City indicated its significant interest that the E. Vandalia Avenue area and its eighty (80) residential units be included in the water connection project, to which the State was agreeable.

Given CalOES has paid for the development of the new well, and its connection to the City's water system, the City will be required under "Drought

Redundancy and Resiliency Provisions" to make available to the State up to three million gallons of water per month without charge for emergency purposes.

To proceed with the connection of the new well to the City's water system and the 500 East Porterville and E. Vandalia Avenue residential units, the City Council approved modifications to the Draft Agreement between the City and County at its meeting on April 5, 2016, which the County Board of Supervisors subsequently approved at their meeting on May 10, 2016.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the State, County, and City on the East Porterville permanent water connection project was approved by the Council during a Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, and approved by the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, June 28, 2016. With the approval of the MOU, the State began the permanent connection of approximately forty (40) homes that are located along existing City water mains. Subsequently, the State officially requested that the City approve the connection of an additional thirty (30) residences as part of the first immediate connections, for up to a total of seventy (70), which the Council approved at its meeting on August 2, 2016.

In regards to the new well's development and connection to the City's water distribution system, the Board of Supervisors awarded the contract for equipping and connecting the new well at their meeting of Tuesday, August 16, 2016, and construction activities commenced the week of October 10, 2016. County staff had previously indicated that the well would be in service and connected to the City's system no later than December 2016, however, the well was operational and connected to the City's water distribution as of Friday, February 17, 2017. Given the delay in the well's completion and connection, DWR requested that the Council consider allowing the connection of residences as they become prepared for connection, to which the Council was receptive, and a Draft MOU Amendment was approved by the Council at its meeting on December 6, 2016, and subsequently approved by the Board of Supervisors at its meeting on December 20, 2016. City staff continues to work with County staff toward the transfer of the well's ownership from the County to the City.

As of Friday, March 31, 2017, the date the State established as the final day for property owners to complete the registration process to participate in the State-funded connection program opportunity, of the 1,017 eligible developed residential properties identified by the State for connection, 722 completed the required Extra-Territorial Services Agreement, leaving 295 developed residential properties non-responsive to this unique connection program, 23 of which were reported as having either dry or diminishing capacity wells. On February 6, 2018, the final residential connection was made of the approximate eligible 800 residences in East Porterville to the City's water system.

City staff continues to coordinate with Self-Help Enterprises and State representatives toward the extension of water mains to serve all residential properties within City limits and the city's periphery that are currently participating in the County's Household Tank Program. The two main areas of

focus are N. Cobb Street (northwest of State Route 65 and Pioneer Avenue), and S. Cloverleaf Street (southeast of State Route 65 and Olive Avenue). The State has maintained its commitment to grant-fund the necessary infrastructure and connection fees, providing an official funding letter to the City on January 18, 2018, which commits up to \$2.81 million in funding until December 31, 2019. The authorization to advertise for bids for the water connection project was approved by the Council at its July 17th meeting, after which DWR reviewed the bid package for compliance and approved in December the package for advertisement. Council authorized award of the construction contract for approximately \$1.82 million at its meeting on January 15, 2019. City staff conducted a pre-construction public outreach meeting with the affected residents on the status of the project on Thursday, April 4, 2019. Council authorized the agreement with Self-Help Enterprises Inc. to provide the private residential connections at its meeting on July 2, 2019, and construction work began on the project. At its meeting on October 1, 2019, the Council accepted the public works segment of the project in the installation of water mains as complete, with Self-Help and CSET continuing to collaborate on the completion of the individual private connections and abandonment of private wells. City staff has recently been made aware that there may be a couple of additional residences whose wells are dry that are located along existing City water mains or may require further extension of water mains. Staff is coordinating with State staff on addressing these new isolated needs.

County OES and the State Division of Drinking Water (DDW) have reported to the City that the Central Mutual Water Company, located south of the city and south of Gibbons Avenue, has had its well run dry and desires an immediate emergency connection to the City's water system to serve the 41 connections currently without water. DDW is wishing to support a financial application to upgrade the small water system to City standards (new water lines, meters ,etc.), and to sponsor an Urban Development Boundary (UDB) Amendment application to Tulare County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), given this area is currently outside the City's UDB but within the City's Urban Area Boundary (UAB). Given several private wells have run dry in this area, DDW is also attempting to sponsor their connection to the City's water system. For source water capacity for the connections, DWR will include these new connections within the East Porterville water connection capacity development projects. At its Special meeting on August 30th, the City Council directed staff to proceed with the immediate emergency connection of the Central water system, with the permanent connection of the system contingent upon an Agreement with DDW to the sponsorship conditions they have offered. At its meeting on October 1, 2019, the Council directed staff to proceed with the amendment of the UDB to facilitate annexation, which a public meeting with the affected residents was conducted on Wednesday, October 9, 2019. At its meeting on April 21, 2020, the Council conducted a Public Hearing and approved Resolutions of approval of the environmental determination and amendment to the UDB to facilitate annexation.

DDW has also reported to the City that the Del Oro East Plano water system, located on Paul Street (southeast of the intersection of Plano Street and Worth

Avenue), is experiencing problems with its existing well and have implemented severe water restrictions. The East Plano water system serves fourteen (14) residences and approximately 45 people. DDW is wishing to provide financial support to upgrade the small water system to City standards (new water lines, meters ,etc.), and for source water capacity for the connections, DDW would need to either pay appropriate fees and/or develop a capacity development project. The Council is aware that the Del Oro Grandview Gardens water system (north of W. North Grand Avenue) is also experiencing significant issues, and DDW may seek their future consolidation with the City's water system as well.

DDW has further reported to the City that the Beverly Grand Mutual Water Company water system, located north of West North Grand Avenue, is experiencing problems with its existing well and water quality issues, and desires its connection to the City's system to serve the 31 residences the system serves. DDW is wishing to provide financial support to upgrade the small water system to City standards (new water lines, meters ,etc.), and for source water capacity for the connections, DDW has agreed to pay appropriate fees toward developing a capacity development project, which at its meeting of October 3, 2017, the Council approved a purchase agreement with Smee Homes, Inc. for the acquisition of property along the Tule River for the development of a new municipal well. At its meeting of October 1, 2019, the Council approved proceeding with the consolidation of the Beverly Grand water system.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive the report of status and review of the Declaration of Local Emergency and determine the need exists to continue said Declaration.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution 49-2015 - Declaration of Local Emergency
2. City-County Well Agreement
3. Memorandum of Understanding
4. Memorandum of Understanding Draft Amendment
5. SWRCB Letter Dated November 29, 2017
6. DWR Letter Dated January 18, 2018
7. Governor Brown Executive Order

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

John Lollis, City Manager

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 49-2015

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE DECLARING A DROUGHT EMERGENCY
WITHIN THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE

WHEREAS: in response to the ongoing severe drought, the State Water Resources Control Board approved an emergency regulation to ensure water agencies, their customers, and state residents increase water conservation in urban settings or face possible fines or other enforcement; and

WHEREAS: as we enter the fourth year of severe drought, long-term forecasts indicate no relief of the current drought conditions, and suggest a warmer-than-average summer, resulting in increased domestic demand for water; and

WHEREAS: public and private potable water supplies continue to be threatened due to decreasing supplies of groundwater caused by the precipitation deficit and an extended state of groundwater overdraft; and

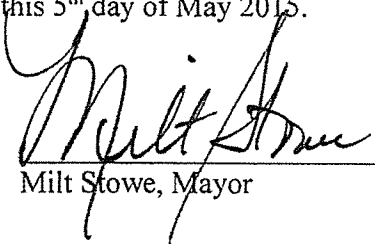
WHEREAS: the long-term ramifications of the current drought will have a significant impact on the city of Porterville and potentially pose a danger to the health and welfare of its residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the City Council of the City of Porterville does hereby proclaim that, due to drought conditions, a Local Emergency now exists in the city of Porterville and shall remain in effect for the duration of the emergency; and

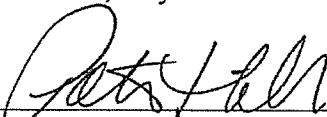
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Council of the City of Porterville requests the Governor and California Department of Water Resources make available California Disaster Assistance Act funding for the State of Local Emergency proclaimed on May 5, 2015, and seek all available forms of Federal assistance, to include a Presidential Declaration of Emergency and Individual Assistance and Public Assistance programs as applicable; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the State Director of the Office of Emergency Services.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 5th day of May 2015.


Milt Stowe, Mayor

ATTEST:
John D. Lollis, City Clerk


By: Patrice Hildreth, Chief Deputy City Clerk

TULARE COUNTY – CITY OF PORTERVILLE WELL AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into this day of, May 10, 2016, between the COUNTY OF TULARE, referred to as COUNTY, and the CITY OF PORTERVILLE, referred to as CITY, with reference to the following:

- A. WHEREAS, East Porterville/Doyle Colony area properties within the COUNTY's jurisdiction and within the CITY's Urban Development Boundary are experiencing serious water shortages due to the historical drought conditions. Attached hereto as Exhibit 'A' is a map defining the East Porterville/Doyle Colony and Vandalia areas; and
- B. WHEREAS, CITY and COUNTY have been and are collaborating to jointly develop a new municipal water well; and
- C. WHEREAS, COUNTY shall secure complete funding for a new well to be solely owned, operated and maintained by the CITY for the purpose of providing long-term capacity to enable permanent water connections to properties that comply with CITY'S Annexation and Extension of Municipal Services policy, with certain exceptions for specific properties in excess of the maximum lot size. These procedures are defined by two Resolutions, 74-2014 and 19-2016, which are attached hereto as Exhibit 'B'; and
- D. WHEREAS, the COUNTY owns a parcel at the southeast corner of the Tule River and Olive Avenue (APN 240-120-017), represented in Exhibit 'C', and has drilled a municipal supply well, and will equip said well utilizing CITY standards, after which the COUNTY shall convey the land to CITY at a cost of \$1; and
- E. WHEREAS, CITY operates an existing municipal water system, with limited infrastructure already established in the East Porterville/Doyle Colony and Vandalia areas, and has experience and qualifications necessary to provide such services; and
- F. WHEREAS, CITY and COUNTY mutually agree that a regional, collaborative solution to leverage and expand CITY'S municipal water system into the East Porterville/Doyle Colony and Vandalia areas is the most feasible means to address the area's water needs; and
- G. WHEREAS, CITY is willing to enter into this Agreement with COUNTY upon terms and conditions set forth herein; and
- H. WHEREAS, CITY and COUNTY mutually understand that due to the limited resources of the CITY's municipal water system, all future connections must comply with the CITY's Annexation and Extension of Municipal Services policies, with certain exceptions for specific properties in excess of the maximum lot size, attached hereto and made a part thereof as Exhibit 'B'.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS AGREED:

- 1. **TERM:** This agreement shall become effective as of the date the agreement is fully executed by both agencies.
- 2. **SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED & PAYMENT FOR SERVICES – EQUIPPING MUNICIPAL WELL FACILITY:** Refer to attached Exhibit 'D'.

TULARE COUNTY AGREEMENT NO. 27596

3. **SERVICE TO BE PERFORMED IN PERPETUITY:** The services described below shall be performed in perpetuity upon completion of all tasks enumerated in Exhibit 'D' and upon COUNTY securing the funds for equipping the well to CITY standards and requirements:
- A. CITY shall provide to STATE and/or COUNTY, upon STATE and COUNTY's request, a maximum of three million (3,000,000) gallons of water per month upon integration of the well provided under this Agreement, for the purposes of meeting emergency water needs in COUNTY's jurisdiction. CITY shall not charge COUNTY or STATE for said water.
 - B. CITY shall utilize water produced by the well provided under this Agreement as source capacity for new service connections and agreements in East Porterville/Doyle Colony and Vandalia areas. CITY agrees to provide source water for up to four hundred twenty-three (423) new connections in the East Porterville/Doyle Colony area subject to the CITY'S Annexation and Extension of Municipal Services policies, with certain exceptions for specific properties in excess of the maximum lot size, and up to 80 new connections in the Vandalia area. The 423 new connections noted above are inclusive of those properties immediately adjacent to an existing water main, estimated at 40 parcels, which can be connected to the City's water system immediately upon execution of this agreement and the Memorandum(a) of Understanding between CITY, COUNTY, and STATE. Upon connection to CITY services, the listed properties will be exempt from payment of CITY water impact fees, but will be subject to standard fees, such as, but not limited to, water service and meter installation, unless otherwise financed by STATE or other funding sources, and associated monthly fees. This section shall not be construed to limit additional connections beyond the above referenced 503 properties provided for herein, where CITY provides consumption documentation that determines additional source capacity is available as a result of the connection of this well to CITY's system.
 - C. CITY expressly agrees to own, operate, maintain, repair and otherwise care for the well provided under this Agreement, in order to maintain it in proper working order and to the highest standard, for the duration of the well's useful life.
 - D. COUNTY shall grant the parcel on which the well is located to the CITY by Grant Deed at a cost of \$1 upon formal acceptance of the project. A 50-foot control zone around the well site is a requirement of the State Water Resources Control Board, Drinking Water Program, therefore establishing the minimum parcel size to be conveyed to the CITY. Existing COUNTY infrastructure may encroach through or conflict with the subject parcel and if so, ownership, maintenance, repair and replacement of these facilities shall transition to the City's responsibility by separate maintenance agreement upon acceptance of the project.
 - E. CITY shall not be entitled to compensation by COUNTY, or any State or Federal agency providing funding for the activities enumerated in Exhibit 'D', for any ongoing costs related to owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, or replacing this well. CITY and COUNTY expressly agree that CITY's ongoing compensation for such ongoing costs shall be the use of the well for CITY's use within its water system, unrestricted except as noted in "A"

above. No part of this paragraph shall be construed to limit or restrict in any way CITY's ability to seek any grant funding or collect rates and fees from users of CITY's water system.

- F. All recipients of water are subject to CITY water policies, such as, but not limited to, water conservation and watering schedules. Connections made as noted in "B" above may be subject to further water conservation thresholds as required by the STATE.

4. This Agreement represents the entire agreement between CITY and COUNTY as to its subject matter and no prior oral or written understanding shall be of any force or effect. No part of this Agreement may be modified without the written consent of both parties.

5. Except as may be otherwise required by law, any notice to be given shall be written and shall be either personally delivered, sent by facsimile transmission or sent by first class mail, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

COUNTY: County Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board
of Supervisors of the County of Tulare
Administrative Building
2800 W. Burrel Avenue
Visalia, CA 93291

(Fax No.: (559) 733-6318 / Phone No. (559) 636-5005)

CITY: City Manager
291 N. Main St.
Porterville, CA 93257

(Fax No.: (559) 715-4013/ Phone No. (559) 782-7466)

Notice delivered personally or sent by facsimile transmission is deemed to be received upon receipt. Notice sent by first class mail shall be deemed received on the fourth day after the date of mailing. Either party may change the above address by giving written notice pursuant to this paragraph.

6. This Agreement reflects the contributions of both parties and accordingly the provisions of Civil Code section 1654 shall not apply to address and interpret any uncertainty.
7. Unless specifically set forth, the parties to this Agreement do not intend to provide any other party with any benefit or enforceable legal or equitable right or remedy.
8. This Agreement shall be interpreted and governed under the laws of the State of California without reference to California conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is entered into and shall be performed in Tulare County, California. CITY waives the removal provisions of California Code of Civil Procedure Section 394.
9. The failure of either party to insist on strict compliance with any provision of this Agreement shall not be considered a waiver of any right to do so, whether for that breach or any subsequent breach. The acceptance by either party or either performance or payment shall not be considered to be a waiver of any preceding breach of the Agreement by the other party.
10. The Recitals and the Exhibits to this Agreement are fully incorporated into and are integral parts of this Agreement.

11. This Agreement is subject to all applicable laws and regulations. If any provision of this Agreement is found by any court of other legal authority, or is agreed by the parties, to be in conflict with any code or regulation governing its subject, the conflicting provision shall be considered null and void. If the effect of nullifying any conflicting provision is such that a material benefit of the Agreement to either party is lost, the Agreement may be terminated at the option of the affected party. In all other cases the remainder of the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.
12. Each party agrees to execute any additional documents and to perform any further acts which may be reasonably required to affect the purposes of this Agreement.
13. CITY expressly agrees that it will not discriminate in employment or in the provision of services on the basis of any characteristic or condition upon which discrimination is prohibited by state or federal law or regulation.
14. Insurance
15. Permit
16. Dispute Resolution: If a dispute arises out of or relating to this Agreement, or the breach thereof, and if said dispute cannot be settled through negotiation, the parties agree first to try in good faith to settle the dispute by non-binding mediation before resorting to litigation or some other dispute resolution procedure, unless the parties mutually agree otherwise. The mediator shall be mutually selected by the parties, but in case of disagreement, the mediator shall be selected by lot from among two nominations provided by each party. All costs and fees required by the mediator shall be split equally by the parties, otherwise each party shall bear its own costs of mediation. If mediation fails to resolve the dispute within 30 days, either party may pursue litigation to resolve the dispute.
17. Indemnification: CITY shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify COUNTY, its agents, officers and employees from and against any liability, claims, actions, costs, damages or losses of any kind, including death or injury to any person and/or damage to property, including COUNTY property, arising from, or in connection with, the performance by CITY or its agents, officers and employees under this Agreement. This indemnification specifically includes any claims that may be made against COUNTY by any taxing authority asserting that an employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this Agreement, and any claims made against COUNTY alleging civil rights violations by CITY under Government Code sections 12920 et seq. (California Fair Employment and Housing Act), and any fines or penalties imposed on COUNTY for CITY's failure to provide form DE-542, when applicable. This indemnification obligation shall continue beyond the term of this Agreement as to any acts or omissions occurring under this Agreement or any extension of this Agreement.

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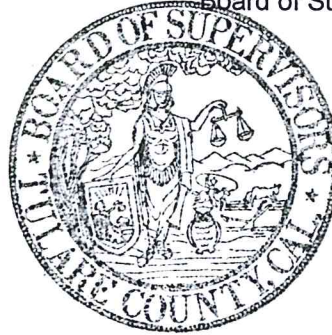
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THE PARTIES, having read and considered the above provisions, indicate their agreement by their authorized signatures below.

COUNTY OF TULARE

BY Mike Ennis
Mike Ennis Chairman,
Board of Supervisors



ATTEST: Michael C. Spata,
County Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board
of Supervisors of the County of Tulare

By Danisa A. Ybana
Deputy Clerk

Approved as to Form
County Counsel

By M. Grice for LMT
Deputy 20151902

CITY OF PORTERVILLE

BY Milt Stowe
Milt Stowe, Mayor

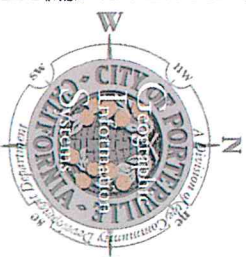
ATTEST:
City Clerk of the City of Porterville

BY J. L. Lolis
John Lolis, City Manager

Approved as to Form

BY [Signature]
City Attorney

EXHIBIT 'A'



 East Porterville Project Boundary

Parcels Within Project Boundary Area (1,776)

CityLimits

UDB

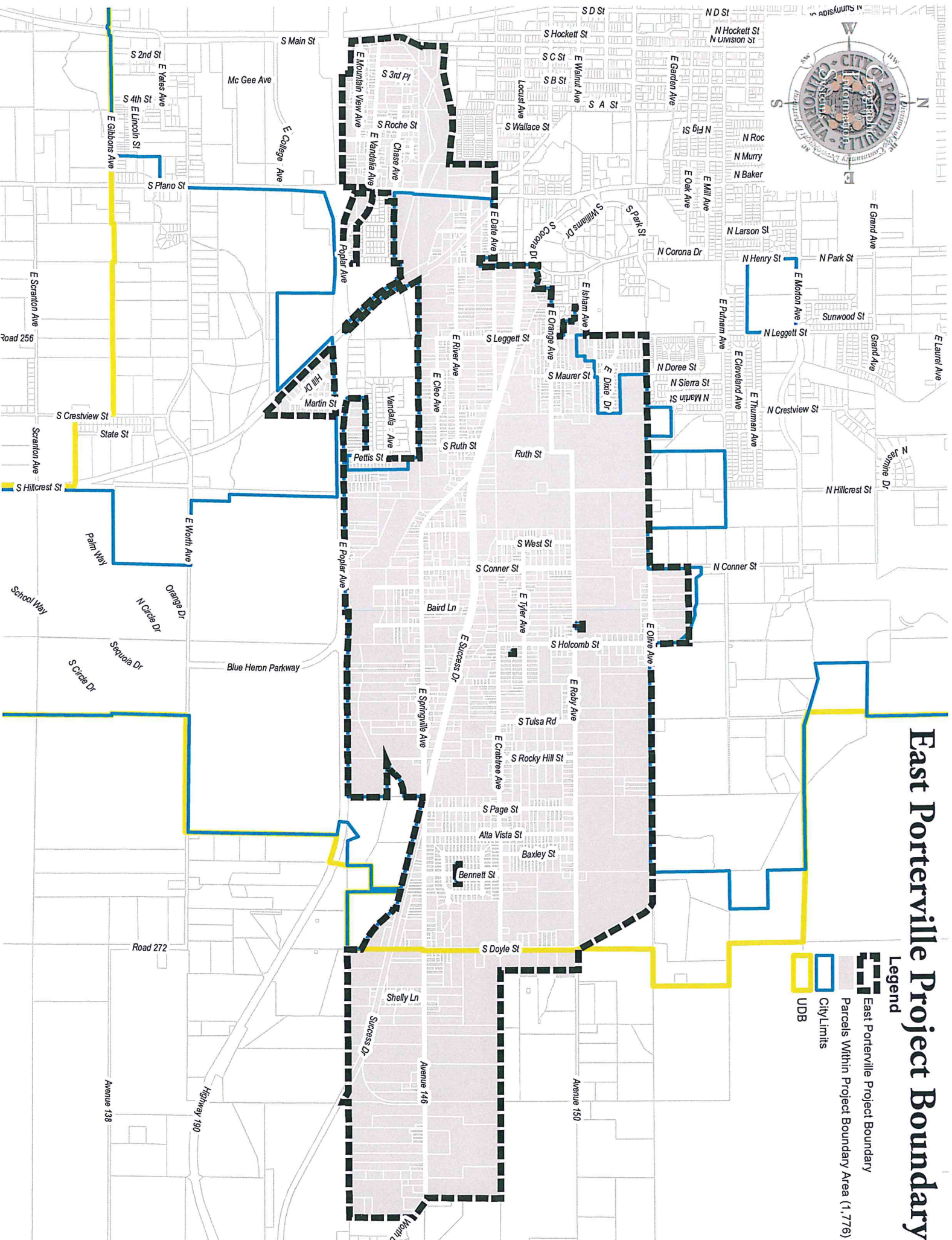


EXHIBIT 'B'

RESOLUTION NO. 74 -2014

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE DEFINING OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES FOR ANNEXATIONS AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES

WHEREAS: The City of Porterville established a policy concerning annexation and provision of municipal services in 1986, noting that “the City, in order to grow for reasons of economies of scale and quality of services must expand its boundaries within reason, generally encourages the owners of properties contiguous to the city of Porterville to annex to said City of Porterville”; and

WHEREAS: Since 1990, the population of the city of Porterville has increased 53% according to the California Department of Finance, and the land area of the city proper has increased by 38% according to City annexation records; and

WHEREAS: The City of Porterville accepts its responsibility to provide municipal services to those residents, businesses, and other land uses within the limits of the city. The City of Porterville has taken the position that the costs of all physical improvements within the city have been paid by property owners, and other taxes derived in the city, and, therefore, these same people should not be required to bear the expense of additional physical improvements needed to serve newly annexed areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Porterville does hereby define the following objectives related to annexations and municipal services:

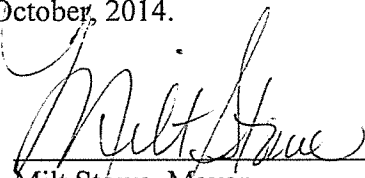
1. To promote orderly development while discouraging urban sprawl, preserving open space and prime agricultural lands, and efficiently extending government services.
2. To honor the City’s fundamental responsibility to provide efficient and sustainable public services to the inhabitants of the city, and where appropriate, to provide those services beyond the limits of the city within the Urban Development Boundary, and only in extreme cases to those properties beyond the Urban Development Boundary within the Urban Area Boundary.
3. To provide for land development and growth in a manner consistent with the General Plan, particularly as it relates to land use and circulation.
4. To consider an application upon its own merits, and identify what benefits would accrue to the City as an agency and service provider, to the residents of the city of Porterville, and to the applicant.
5. To identify the problems involved in any proposal considered for annexation or request for extra-territorial services and resolve them in the manner most beneficial to the properties within the city of Porterville.
6. To develop factual information to permit informed discussion between City representatives and property owners/residents of unincorporated territories.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Porterville does hereby establish the following policies for consideration of annexations and municipal services:

1. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville to consider annexation proposals only within the Urban Development Boundary, which is defined as the City of Porterville Annexation Boundary, as adopted by Tulare County Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCo).

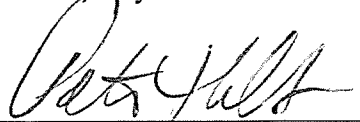
2. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville to consider extra-territorial service requests primarily within the Urban Development Boundary, which is defined as the City of Porterville Annexation Boundary, as adopted by Tulare County LAFCo.
3. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville, only where necessary in order to respond to an existing or impending threat to public health or safety of affected residents, to consider extra-territorial service requests within the Urban Area Boundary, as adopted by City Council and identified on the City of Porterville Zoning Map.
4. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville to consider annexation proposals and extra-territorial service requests in a manner consistent with the policies and regulations adopted by the Tulare County LAFCo and the State of California, as applicable.
5. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville to discourage single-family one (1) lot annexation proposals that may have an adverse fiscal impact on the City of Porterville.
6. It shall be the policy of the City Council that territory shall not be annexed to the city of Porterville, which as a result of such annexation, unincorporated territory is completely surrounded, or substantially surrounded by the city of Porterville.
7. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville that annexation proposals shall be in conformance with the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act of 2000, as amended.
8. It shall be the policy of the City Council to consider each petition/consent for annexation upon its relationship to what economic benefits will accrue to the City of Porterville, and to the area residents/property owners.
9. It shall be the policy of the City Council that the costs of all physical improvements will be borne by the property owners/resident or developer.
10. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville to maintain the viability of agricultural productivity; i.e. protecting and conserving as much agricultural land as possible in the area surrounding the Porterville community.
11. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville that the applicant for annexation present proposals to the Project Review Committee and explain the particulars of the area under consideration for possible annexation, including a plan for services.
12. It shall be the policy of the City of Porterville to consider any requests for annexation or extra-territorial services in a manner consistent with the procedures adopted by resolution of the City Council.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of October, 2014.


Milt Stowe, Mayor

ATTEST:

John D. Lollis, City Clerk

By: 
Patrice Hildreth, Chief Deputy City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
CITY OF PORTERVILLE) SS
COUNTY OF TULARE)

I, JOHN D. LOLLIS, the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Porterville do hereby certify and declare that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the resolution passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Porterville at regular meeting of the Porterville City Council duly called and held on the 21st day of October, 2014.

THAT said resolution was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the following vote:

Council:	REYES	WARD	STOWE	HAMILTON	GURROLA
AYES:	X		X	X	X
NOES:		X			
ABSTAIN:					
ABSENT:					

JOHN D. LOLLIS, City Clerk


By: Luisa M. Zavala, Deputy City Clerk

RESOLUTION 19-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE
ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR ANNEXATIONS AND EXTENSION OF
MUNICIPAL SERVICES

WHEREAS: On October 21, 2014, the City Council of the City of Porterville adopted two resolutions that defined objectives and policies, and established procedures for annexations and municipal services, respectively; and

WHEREAS: The on-going, severe drought of the past few years has created a situation where hundreds of parcels in the East Porterville area are experiencing dry wells, or wells of substandard water quality. State and regional agencies have come together with the City to identify and develop a long-term solution to this crisis, which will involve a significant infrastructure project to allow extension of municipal water services to the area. Not all parcels within the subject area meet the mandatory findings for extra-territorial service agreements as identified in the City's current procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Porterville does hereby amend existing procedures to submit application for municipal services, and to have said application(s) processed as outlined in Exhibit "A", attached. The exemption identified for the East Porterville Feasibility Study Project Area will apply to the area represented in Exhibit "B".

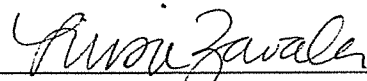
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of April, 2016.



Milt Stowe, Mayor

ATTEST:

John D. Lollis, City Clerk

BY 

Luisa Zavala, Deputy City Clerk

All properties requesting annexation or extraterritorial services are subject to the procedures established below unless otherwise stated. Compliance with City of Porterville procedures does not guarantee approval by LAFCo of annexations or extra-territorial service agreements. Upon request for an annexation or extraterritorial services request, staff will evaluate whether the applicant's property is within the City's Urban Development Boundary or Urban Area Boundary and explain the process.

ANNEXATION APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. A complete annexation application packet includes: fees, an Irrevocable Agreement to Annex, information as needed to define a deed restriction specific to land use and zoning, Application for Annexation, and other materials as required with those applications respectively.
2. On receipt of an application as outlined above, all materials will be considered by the Project Review Committee, who will coordinate in a pre-consultation process with LAFCO staff and the County Public Works Department for review and recommendation.
3. During review by the Project Review Committee of the necessary application and data, staff will prepare a report and findings on all aspects of the proposed action(s).
4. An environmental document will be prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), reviewing the potential environmental effect of the proposed activities. The Zoning Administrator will make an initial determination of the level of environmental review required.
5. After proper noticing, a public hearing will be held for the City Council to hear comments related to the project at a regularly scheduled meeting. The Council will authorize staff to initiate the application with LAFCo. Documents will be filed in accordance with the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act of 2000, as amended, and submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for its review, recommendation and action.
6. On consummation by the City Council, the City Clerk shall submit the necessary materials to the State Board of Equalization with the appropriate acreage fees, which are paid by the Applicant.
7. In the event the annexation fails, either by dissenting votes of the City Council or at hearing at LAFCo, the City Council may approve an extraterritorial service agreement within the Urban Development Boundary, subject to conditions identified in the deed restriction.

ANNEXATION EXEMPTION PROCEDURE

Where a certain property meets all of the following criteria, they may proceed with an Extraterritorial Service Agreement for water or storm-water drainage without first attempting annexation, subject to the conditions of Extraterritorial Service Agreements as defined below.

1. Previously developed single family residences on parcels 24,999 square feet or smaller, OR a school developed by a State funded school district.
2. The parcel requesting services must be immediately adjacent to a municipal main providing the requested service, or the property owner shall provide for the extension of the main line to City standards at their expense.

EXTRATERRITORIAL SERVICES APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Extraterritorial Service connections may be made subject to the following conditions. Note specific parameters and the required findings for connections in the Urban Development Boundary and the Urban Area Boundary.

1. Application: A complete extraterritorial services application packet includes: fees, an Irrevocable Agreement to Annex, information as needed to define a deed restriction specific to land use and zoning, and other materials as required with those applications respectively.
2. General Plan Consistency:
 - a. Proposed Uses and Improvements: Service connections are to be withheld from proposed uses and improvements that would not be consistent with the adopted Land Use Element of the Porterville Area General Plan and the City of Porterville General Plan.
 - b. Existing Uses and Improvements: Service connections to existing uses and improvements which are not consistent with the adopted Land Use Element of the Porterville Area General Plan and the City of Porterville General Plan shall be considered at the discretion of the City Council, and may be subject to other restrictions.
3. Agreements and covenants:
 - a. A deed restriction specific to land use and zoning must be approved by the property owner and the City Council, and recorded with the County of Tulare upon the property, at the applicant's cost.
 - b. An irrevocable agreement to annex must be signed by the property owner and recorded with the County of Tulare upon the property, at the applicant's cost.
4. Time limitations: The City Manager or his designee, or the City Council may condition the approval of applications for service connections by establishing a time frame within which connections must be made to avoid re-application.
5. Improvement Plans: Applications for service connections, which necessitate the extension of one or more municipal facilities to property in order to make such connections, shall be conditioned by the City Manager or his designee, or the City Council to require that Construction Drawings of the intended public improvements be submitted to the City Engineer for plan check and approval. Costs incurred for the preparation of improvement plans, and certain off-site construction and/or installation costs related to extending facilities, shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
6. Fees: Prior to the issuance of a Connection Permit, payment must be made to the City of Porterville of all fees pertinent to the respective service connection, or connections, approved by the City Manager or his designee, or the City Council.

Within the Urban Development Boundary:

For connection of water or storm-water facilities, the requesting party must fully fund the extension of infrastructure if it does not already exist in order to connect. The City of Porterville Wastewater Facility is a regional facility and as such, an extraterritorial service request cannot be denied; however, the requesting party must fund a fair share of the extension of infrastructure if it does not already exist in order to connect. Contract services for police, fire, or building inspection services shall be approved by resolution of the City Council.

For connection of water or storm-water facilities, the following findings must be made in order for the Council approve an extraterritorial service connection:

- That the subject property is a previously developed single family residence on a parcel 24,999 square feet or smaller, OR a school developed by a State funded school district.
- That failure to connect to municipal services would result in a threat to public health or safety of affected residents.
- That connection of the subject property would not result in a negative impact to the City of Porterville water and/or storm-water system.
- That the subject property is not within an island as defined by Tulare LAFCo.
- That an attempt to annex the subject site is not realistic given current city limit boundaries. Specifically, the parcel is too far removed from the city limit, and/or the number and valuation of adjacent parcels would result in a failed annexation effort.

Within the Urban Area Boundary:

For connection of water or storm-water facilities, the requesting party must fully fund the extension of infrastructure if it does not already exist in order to connect. The City of Porterville Wastewater Facility is a regional facility and as such, an extraterritorial service request cannot be denied; however, the requesting party must fund a fair share of the extension of infrastructure if it does not already exist in order to connect. Contract services for police, fire, or building inspection services shall be approved by resolution of the City Council.

For connection of water or storm-water facilities, the following findings must be made in order for the Council approve an extraterritorial service connection:

- That the subject property is a previously developed single family residence on a parcel 24,999 square feet or smaller, OR a school developed by a State funded school district.
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- That connection of the subject property would not result in a negative impact to the City of Porterville water and/or storm-water system.

EXEMPTIONS AND EXCEPTIONS

1. PVPUD: Connections to Porterville Regional Sewage Treatment Facilities serving uses and improvements to property within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the Porter Vista Public Utility District (PVPUD) are exempted from application to the City of Porterville. Interested parties should contact the PVPUD for information on connection requirements and fees pertaining

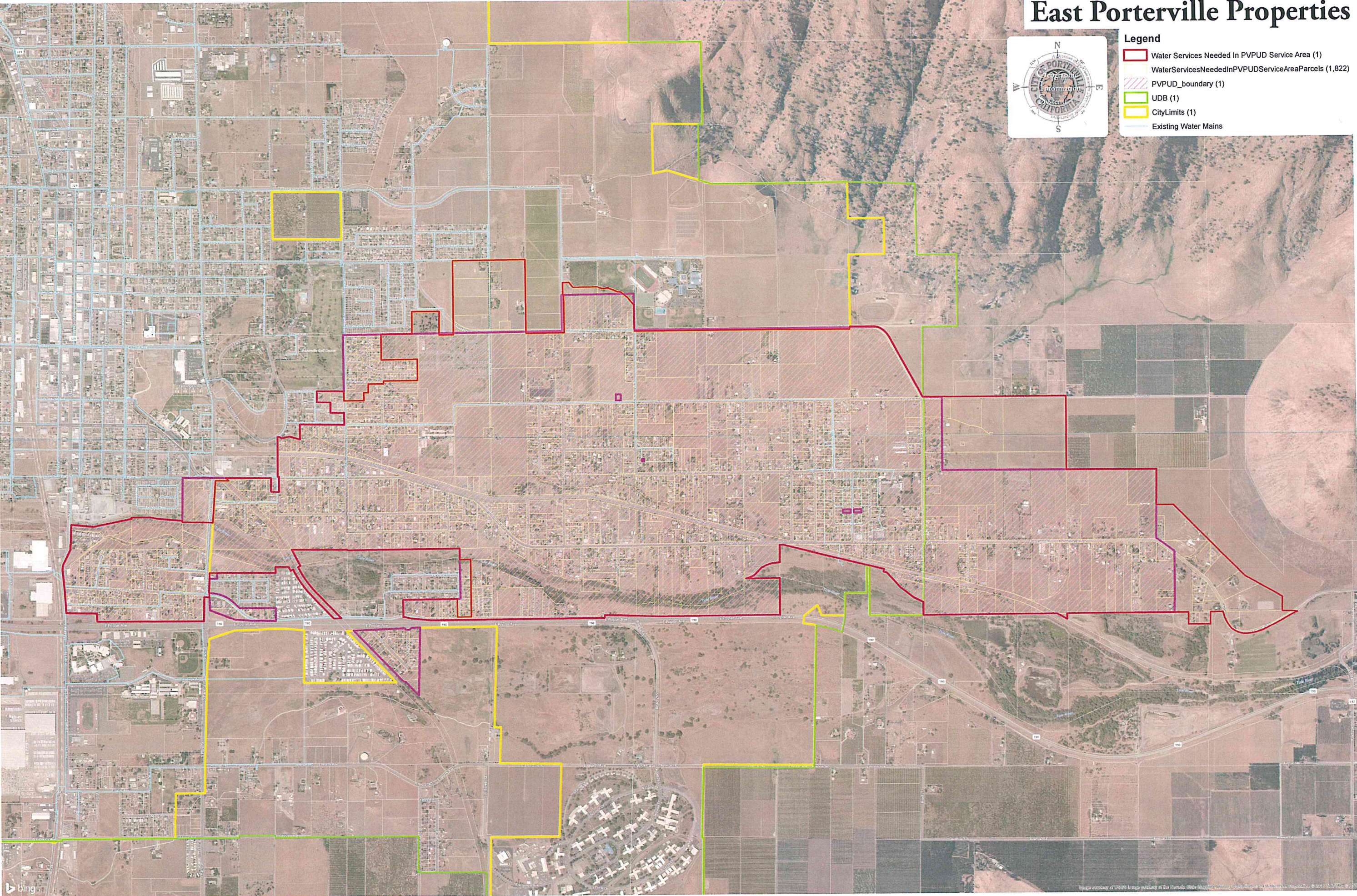
to sewer services. This exemption does not apply to requests for connection to Municipal Water and/or Master Storm Drain Facilities.

2. PRIOR APPROVALS: Porterville City Council approval of requests for connection to Regional Sewage Treatment, Municipal Water and/or Master Storm Drain Facilities as authorized prior to the adoption and effective date of the respective policies set forth herein shall remain valid and in force according to the terms and conditions initially specified at the time of approval, and re-application will not be required.

3. PROPERTIES WITHIN THE EAST PORTERVILLE FEASIBILITY STUDY PROJECT AREA: The California State Water Resources Control Board, in coordination with the Department of Water Resources Drought Task Force, is charged with preparing a feasibility study to define a long-term solution to the water related issues in East Porterville. Properties within that boundary would be permitted to apply for connection, whether in association with DWR, SWRCB, or at a later date, on their own. Such connections would be subject to the mandatory findings as outlined in this procedure, with the following exceptions:

- Rather than require that the subject property be a developed single-family residence on a parcel 24,999 square feet or smaller, neither the land use nor the parcel size would be restricted neither the land use nor the parcel size would be restricted for legal and legal non-conforming structures and land uses existing as of April 29, 2016.
- Further, properties within certain islands in the EPFS Project Area would not be required to annex prior to connection. This exception does not limit the City of Porterville's authority to pursue annexation in the future, but rather waives the requirement that annexation must be approved prior to connection.

East Porterville Properties



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JOHN D. LOLLIS, City Clerk

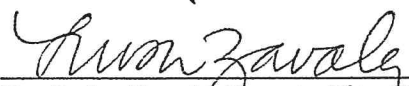

By: Luisa Zavala, Deputy City Clerk

EXHIBIT 'C'



EXHIBIT 'D'

Scope of Work

Task	Description	Cost
1.2	Prepare Well Drilling Plans, Specifications, and Estimates	\$468.00
3.2	Prepare Well Equipping Plans, Specifications, and Estimates	\$1,526.00
5	Ph. 1 Preconstruction Meeting	\$1,357.43
Total:		\$3,351.43

Consulting Engineering work will be reimbursed directly to Dee Jaspar & Associates under Tulare County Agreement No. 1276, including the following Tasks:

Task 4.1	Project Evaluations and Field Surveying	\$58,326.00
Task 4.2	Prepare Well Equipping Plans, Specifications, and Estimates	\$30,000.00
Task 4.3	Prepare and Assist with SCE Application & Telephone Service	\$5,000.00
Task 4.4	SCE Costs	\$15,000.00
Total:		\$108,326.00

Discussion Draft

Subject to Additional Review and Modification by the Parties

Porterville MOU
Draft 2
June 15, 2016
PortervilleEmergencyMOU061516



Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Regarding the Provisions of Emergency Water Supplies to East Porterville

by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), California Office of Emergency

Service (OES), the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB),

the County of Tulare (County), and City of Porterville (Porterville),

which are collectively known as the “Parties”

Recitals

Whereas, some residents living in an unincorporated area of Tulare County, commonly known as “East Porterville,” have experienced loss of adequate water supply to their homes and properties as a result of severe drought conditions, which has caused significant hardship for the residents;

Whereas, Governor Edmund G. Brown Junior has directed all State agencies to assist these residents who are in need of water supplies with emergency and long-term assistance;

Whereas, Governor Edmund G. Brown Junior signed Assembly Bill 685 in 2012, adding Water Code section 106.3, which recognizes that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes, and which requires all relevant state agencies to consider this right when revising, adopting, or establishing pertinent policies, regulations, and grant criteria;

Whereas, the Parties have provided emergency water supplies to some residents of East Porterville that are without an adequate household water supply;

Whereas, the Parties to this MOU seek an emergency and long-term solution to the lack of adequate household water supply by developing and providing continuous water supplies to these residents;

Whereas, East Porterville is located east and adjacent to Porterville, which has an existing municipal water system that serves residents within the incorporated area of Porterville;

Whereas, some of the residents of East Porterville without an adequate household water supply could be connected to Porterville's municipal water system provided certain arrangements and projects are carried out by the Parties;

Whereas, Vandalia is a neighborhood located within Porterville, and some Vandalia residents lack adequate household water supply and these households could be connected to Porterville's municipal water system;

Whereas, the Parties have met and have discussed alternative plans and projects that would provide an emergency water supply from Porterville to some residents of East Porterville and Vandalia in an expeditious manner;

Whereas, to advance these projects, DWR has provided funding, as reflected in the agreement between DWR and Tulare attached as Exhibit 1, for a municipal well designated as "Well C1" located in Tulare County that ultimately could be used to supply water to these residents of East Porterville;

Whereas, the SWRCB has also provided funding for Well C1, as reflected in the agreement between the SWRCB and the County attached as Exhibit 2;

Whereas, the County and Porterville intend to execute an agreement, a draft of which is attached as Exhibit 3, that will connect Well C1 to Porterville's municipal water system and that will provide for an adequate household water supply for some residents of East Porterville; and

Whereas, the Parties have reached an understanding on how best to implement the project alternative that will provide an adequate household water supply to some residents of East Porterville and Vandalia, and alleviate the hardships in an expeditious, cost-effective manner.

Understanding

A. Description of Emergency Project and Long-Term Plan

1. The purpose of this MOU is to set forth in writing the intentions of the Parties of how best to move forward with plans to complete an emergency water supply project (Project) to some residents in the East Porterville and Vandalia areas, which are represented in Exhibit 4. (Map showing East Porterville and Porterville). The goal of the Project is to provide an adequate household water supply to some of the residents and properties in these areas that do not have one presently, and to end the need of the Parties to provide temporary water supplies to those residents through tanks and bottles.

2. The Parties intend to develop the Project in two phases. Phase 1 will make municipal water connections to the properties in East Porterville that have dry wells and are adjacent to Porterville's existing municipal water distribution system. It is estimated that this phase will serve 40 properties with dry wells that are currently receiving temporary household water supplies.

3. The Parties intend that Phase 2 of the Project will provide municipal water supply to approximately 500 properties in East Porterville and in Vandalia that have dry wells or otherwise lack an adequate source of water and have not been connected by Phase 1. In order to complete Phase 2, the residents of these properties will likewise need to connect to Porterville's municipal water system.

4. As soon as possible, Porterville and DWR will undertake Phase 1 of the Project and connect the properties in East Porterville that are adjacent to Porterville's existing municipal water distribution system. These connections will be accomplished as described in Water Installation Diagram attached as Exhibit 5 and based on the cost estimate, which is attached as Exhibit 6. In order to make these connections, a property owner desiring to receive public water supply will need to execute the Extraterritorial Service Agreement, a sample of which is attached as Exhibit 7, and the SWRCB's Water Connection Agreement, a sample of which is attached as Exhibit 8. Necessary signatures and agreements with property owners will be sought through SWRCB's outreach carried out with the assistance of all Parties to this MOU.

5. The Parties intend that Well C1 will be used to provide the emergency water supply in Phase 2 to about 500 properties without adequate household water supplies. The Parties presently understand that there are about 423 properties in East Porterville and approximately 80 properties in Vandalia where connections may be needed to provide emergency water supplies.

6. The Parties have created a Technical Workgroup consisting of engineers and planners, which work cooperatively on the technical issues described in this MOU. Based on recommendations of the Technical Workgroup, the Parties intend to provide the emergency water supply contemplated by this MOU.

7. The Parties intend to develop a Long-Term Water System Plan (Long-Term Plan) for the East Porterville area, which will serve other residents in the area besides those served by the Project. The Parties intend that the Project will be designed consistent with the Long-Term Plan to ensure that all water facilities constructed as part of the Project will be incorporated into the facilities ultimately developed through the Long-Term Plan. The first work product produced by the Technical Workgroup will be a Feasibility Study for the Long-Term Plan. The outline of the Feasibility Study is attached as Exhibit 9.

8. The Parties intend to use best efforts to complete both phases of the Project by December 31, 2016. The completion date of the Long-Term Plan is dependent on the completion of the Feasibility Study carried out by Technical Workgroup and on Porterville and/or the County applying for and securing sufficient funding from the SWRCB or from other sources. The Parties desire to complete the Long-Term Plan as expeditiously as possible.

B. Project Contributions of the Parties

9. Working in cooperation with the other Parties and the Technical Workgroup, DWR will prepare all environmental compliance for the Project, and design and construct the Project, both Phases 1 and 2. DWR will provide funding for Phases 1 and 2 of the Project through Emergency Drought Funding. DWR intends to serve as California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) lead agency for the Long-Term Plan and will prepare any necessary CEQA documentation and any other necessary environmental review documents, unless the Feasibility Study recommends another lead agency.

10. SWRCB will provide the community outreach to assist in obtaining necessary property owner acceptance before proceeding with Project. SWRCB will also work with Porterville and/or County to secure funding of the Long-Term Plan. SWRCB will provide certain reviews and approvals for the permitting of the Project and the Long-Term Plan.

11. OES will coordinate all of the State's efforts under the Governor's Drought Task Force in the Project area and will be provided at no cost by Porterville up to 3,000,000 gallons of emergency water per month as needed as a result of this MOU and the agreement that Porterville and the County are in the process of considering for execution, a draft of which is attached as Exhibit 3, with regard to the Well C1.

12. Porterville will provide the needed water service to the residents of East Porterville without an adequate household water supply after they are connected to Porterville's municipal water system as described in the Project. The water service will be accomplished per the Extraterritorial Service Agreement, which requires that property owners served pay the monthly water bill. DWR is funding the residents' connection to the Project, and as a result, some of the normal connection fees will be waived provided that connection is made during Phase 1 or Phase 2. Porterville will install the water meters for each connection, which will be paid for by DWR.

13. The County intends to execute an agreement with Porterville that is consistent with this MOU and Exhibit 3, which will allow Well C1 to serve as a water supply for the Project. The County will inspect the work of the Project and the property connections at no cost to the residents.

14. The Parties to the MOU will cause the removal of all temporary water tanks from the properties upon completion of the Project and the appurtenances necessary for the receipt of municipal water service. The work for removing the water tanks will be carried out by the County under an agreement between the County and OES.

C. General Provisions

15. The Parties intend to use their best efforts to carry out this MOU. This MOU is not a binding agreement, and is not intended to create contractual rights and remedies among the Parties. However, the Parties have entered into and intend to enter into certain binding agreements in the future necessary to develop and complete the Project and the Long-Term Plan.

16. This MOU will become effective upon the signature of the all Parties. The MOU will terminate on December 31, 2016, unless extended by all of the Parties in writing.

[Signatures on following page]

This MOU has been executed by:

California Department of Water Resources

State Water Resources Control Board

California Office of Emergency Services

County of Tulare

City of Porterville

List of Exhibits

1. DWR and Tulare County Executed Well C1 Agreement
2. SWRCB and County Executed Well C1 Agreement (Water Board Grant #D-15-11-902)
3. ~~County and~~County and Porterville Draft Well Agreement
4. Map of East Porterville
5. Household Water Service Installation Diagram
6. Household Water Service Cost Estimate
7. Sample Extraterritorial Service Agreement
8. Sample SWRCB Water Connection Agreement
9. Draft Emergency Project Feasibility Study



Amendment No. 1

To the East Porterville Water Supply Project

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Regarding the Provisions of Emergency Water Supplies to East Porterville
by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), California Office of
Emergency Service (OES), the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB),
the County of Tulare (County), and City of Porterville (Porterville),
which are collectively known as the "Parties"

This Amendment No.1 to the MOU is made this 7th day of November, 2016. As described below, this Amendment No.1 recognizes the MOU is still in effect, modifies certain sections of this MOU, and adds new sections to the MOU.

Recitals

Whereas, some residents living in an unincorporated area of Tulare County, commonly known as "East Porterville," have experienced loss of adequate water supply to their homes and properties as a result of severe drought conditions, which has caused significant hardship for the residents;

Whereas, Governor Edmund G. Brown Junior has directed all State agencies to assist these residents who are in need of water supplies with emergency and long-term assistance;

Whereas, the Parties to this MOU seek an emergency and long-term solution to the lack of adequate household water supply by developing and providing continuous water supplies to these residents;

Whereas, to advance these projects, DWR and the SWRCB have provided funding, as reflected in Exhibits 1 and 2, for a municipal well designated as "Well C1" located in Tulare County that ultimately could be used to supply water to these residents of East Porterville;

Whereas, the Parties have reached an understanding on how best to implement the project alternative that will provide an adequate household water supply to some residents of East Porterville and Vandalia, and alleviate the hardships in an expeditious, cost-effective manner:

Whereas, the purpose of this amendment is to clarify some sections of the MOU and to add several new sections.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED that the following changes are hereby made to the MOU:

1. Section A (2) is amended to read as follows:

The Parties intend to develop the Project in two phases. Phase 1 will make municipal water connections to the properties in East Porterville and Vandalia that have dry wells and/or water tanks. It is estimated that this phase will serve approximately 300 properties.

2. Section A (3) is amended to read as follows:

The Parties intend that Phase 2 of the Project will provide municipal water supply to approximately 800 properties in East Porterville by connecting them to the City of Porterville's water system. The total number of homes eligible for this Project is approximately 1,100.

3. Section A (5) is amended to read as follows:

The Parties intend that Well C1 will be used to provide the initial water supply. The Parties acknowledge the delay in Well C1 completion. To mitigate the effects of this on the residents of East Porterville, the City of Porterville will allow connections of homes as they become prepared for connection. These early connections will be beyond the initial 70 connections (previously 40 connections) agreed to, given the availability of capacity during the winter months. However, these additional connections to the City's water system will cease on March 1, 2017, if Well C1's connection to the City's water system is not completed by then.

4. Sections A (7) b-f shall be added and made part of this MOU:

7 (a). The Parties intend to develop a Long-Term Water System Plan (Long-Term Plan) for the East Porterville area, which will serve other residents in the area besides those served by the Project. The Parties intend that the Project will be designed consistent with the Long-Term Plan to ensure that all water facilities constructed as part of the Project will be incorporated into the facilities ultimately developed through the Long-Term Plan. The first work product produced by the Technical Workgroup will be a Feasibility Study for the Long-Term Plan. The outline of the Feasibility Study is attached as Exhibit 9.

(b). The East Porterville Water Supply Project Hydraulic Analysis Report ("Hydraulic Analysis Report," which is attached as Exhibit 10) determined that the water supply capacity required to serve all eligible residents of East Porterville is 1,435 gallons per minute (gpm). This capacity shall be based on the sustainable yield of the wells which is defined as 75 percent of the initial design capacity. Since Well C1 has a sustainable yield of 600 gpm, the Parties agree that the State will fund the construction and equipping of additional wells to provide the 835 gpm shortfall.

(c). Based on the Hydraulic Analysis, a 700,000 gallon water storage tank is required to serve the residents of East Porterville. However, based on Porterville's master plan recommendations, a 1.2 million-gallon storage tank is required for the City's buildout. The Parties therefore intend to construct a 1.2 million-gallon storage tank with cost sharing between the State and the City. The State will fund the cost of a 700,000 gallon tank required for the Project and the City of Porterville will fund the cost of the additional 500,000 gallons of storage required for the City's future use as contained in its master plan. The cost-sharing shall be proportional to the tank capacity being funded.

(d). The Parties intend to upgrade the existing Henderson-Plano Booster Pump Station and the Granite Hills Intertie which would facilitate water supply to the East Pressure Zone which serves East Porterville. The State will fund the construction of one booster pump rated at 2,100

gpm along with a variable frequency drive and the Granite Hills Intertie. The City will fund the replacement of its two existing pumps along with associated variable frequency drives as part of Phase 2 of the Project. These two pumps are more than 30-years old and their replacement will enable the City's water system to operate more efficiently and in a cost-saving manner.

(e). The Parties further agree that a booster pump station of capacity 1,670 gpm is required to convey water from the West Pressure Zone, where the new wells will be located, to the Central Pressure Zone for onward conveyance to East Porterville. The State will fund the construction of this booster pump station.

(f). Given that Well C1 has an estimated sustainable yield of 600 gpm, as well as a unit demand of 0.833 gpm per home connection based on the Hydraulic Analysis , Well C1 could effectively serve up to 720 households . The Parties agree that home connections for Phase 2 of the Project can begin as soon as Well C1 is connected to the City's water system, and the Henderson-Plano Booster Pump Station upgrade and the Granite Hills Intertie are completed. These home connections shall cease when the capacity of Well C1 is exceeded. Thereafter, additional home connections will be made after the construction of additional wells or if City staff determines that the water system can support additional home connections.

5. Section (C) 16 is amended to read as follows:

16. This MOU will become effective upon the signature of the all Parties. The MOU will terminate on June 30, 2018, unless extended by all Parties in writing.

6. The list of the Exhibits at the end of MOU is amended to read as follows:

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EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
GOVERNOR

MATTHEW RODRIGUEZ
SECRETARY FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

State Water Resources Control Board

NOV 29 2017

The Honorable Milt Stowe
Mayor of City of Porterville
291 North Main Street
Porterville, CA 93257

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DEC 04

CITY OF PORTERVILLE
CITY MANAGER

Dear Mayor Stowe:

The Department of Water Resources and the State Water Resources Control Board are requesting an increase to the number of household connections from 720 to 800 to the City of Porterville (City) water system, prior to the completion of the East Porterville Emergency Water Supply Project – Phase 2 (Project). The construction of all facilities is estimated to be completed by June 2019.

According to Section A(7)(f) of Amendment No. 1 to the Project's Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), the estimated sustainable yield of Well C1 is 600 gallons per minute (gpm) and therefore will serve up to 720 households. Our current projections show that approximately 800 households will need to be connected by the end of 2017.

Our current plans are to drill two additional wells which would add more than 835 gpm of sustainable yield to the City's water supply, pending land acquisition by the City. Further, our calculations indicate that Well C1 is currently capable of producing 800 gpm in the interim, which can support a total of 960 households in the short term. It is our hope that the City will complete acquisition of the properties needed to drill the two additional wells in a timely manner to ensure that the City's water supply does not become stressed.

We look forward to hearing favorably from you and thank you for your continued support in providing safe drinking water to the residents of East Porterville.

Sincerely,


James Maughan, Assistant Deputy Director
Division of Financial Assistance

cc: See next page

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION OFFICE
3374 EAST SHIELDS AVENUE, ROOM 3
FRESNO, CA 93726-6913



January 18, 2018

Mr. Michael K. Reed
Public Works Director
City of Porterville
291 North Main Street
Porterville, California 93257

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City of Porterville
Public Works Dept

Approval of Funding from Local Assistance Funds to the City of Porterville for the
County Areas Water Supply Project

Dear Mr. Reed:

Your request for funds to accomplish the city of Porterville's scope of work to connect drought-impacted households in seven Tulare County areas bounded by the city has been approved. The approved funding is not to exceed the amount of \$2,812,946.00. The term of the funding is from January 18, 2018, to December 31, 2019.

The purpose of this funding is for the city of Porterville to effectuate the connection of the drought-impacted homes in seven county areas to the city's water distribution system. The project comprises water main extensions, home connections, and well destructions. These homes have been identified as having private residential wells, and the homeowners have voluntarily elected to join the project. As part of their election to participate in the project, the homeowners have consented to having their groundwater wells destroyed.

A grant agreement is being developed and will be sent to you for approval. You are allowed to start incurring costs from January 18, 2018. No reimbursement will be issued until the contract agreement is executed.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding the agreement, please contact Steve Doe by email at Steve.Doe@water.ca.gov or by phone at (559) 230-3348.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kevin Faulkenberry'.

Kevin Faulkenberry, Chief
South Central Region Office

Executive Department

State of California

EXECUTIVE ORDER B-40-17

WHEREAS California has endured a severe multi-year drought that has threatened the water supplies of communities and residents, devastated agricultural production in many areas, and harmed fish, animals and their environmental habitats; and

WHEREAS Californians responded to the drought by conserving water at unprecedented levels, reducing water use in communities by more than 22% between June 2015 and January 2017; and

WHEREAS the State Water Resources Control Board, the Department of Water Resources, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Office of Emergency Services, and many other state agencies worked cooperatively to manage and mitigate the effects of the drought on our communities, businesses, and the environment; and

WHEREAS the State provided 66,344,584 gallons of water to fill water tanks for communities suffering through drought-related water shortages, outages, or contamination, and provided emergency assistance to drill wells and connect communities to more robust water systems; and

WHEREAS the State took a number of important actions to preserve and protect fish and wildlife resources, including stream and species population monitoring, fish rescues and relocations, infrastructure improvements at trout and salmon hatcheries, and infrastructure to provide critical habitat for waterfowl and terrestrial animals; and

WHEREAS the State established a Statewide Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program for agricultural operations that provides financial assistance for the implementation of irrigation systems that save water; and

WHEREAS water content in California's mountain snowpack is 164 percent of the season average; and

WHEREAS Lake Oroville, the State Water Project's principal reservoir, is 101 percent of average, Lake Shasta, the federal Central Valley Project's largest reservoir, is at 110 percent of average, and the great majority of California's other major reservoirs are above normal storage levels; and

WHEREAS despite winter precipitation, the effects of the drought persist in areas of the Central Valley, including groundwater depletion and subsidence; and

WHEREAS our changing climate requires California to continue to adopt and adhere to permanent changes to use water more wisely and to prepare for more frequent and persistent periods of limited water supply; and

WHEREAS increasing long-term water conservation among Californians, improving water use efficiency within the State's communities and agricultural production, and strengthening local and regional drought planning are critical to California's resilience to drought and climate change.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby **TERMINATE THE JANUARY 17, 2014 DROUGHT STATE OF EMERGENCY** for all counties in California except the Counties of Fresno, Kings, Tulare, and Tuolumne.

I FURTHER ORDER THAT:

1. The orders and provisions contained in my April 25, 2014 Emergency Proclamation, as well as Executive Orders B-26-14, B-28-14, B-29-15, and B-36-15 are rescinded.
2. The orders and provisions contained in Executive Order B-37-16, **Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life**, remain in full force and effect except as modified by this Executive Order.
3. As required by the State Emergency Plan and Government Code section 8607(f), the Office of Emergency Services, in coordination with other state agencies, shall produce an after-action report detailing the State's response to the drought and any lessons learned in carrying out that response.

MAINTAINING CONSERVATION AS A WAY OF LIFE

4. The State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) shall continue development of permanent prohibitions on wasteful water use and requirements for reporting water use by urban water agencies, and to provide a bridge to those permanent requirements, shall maintain the existing emergency regulations until they expire as provided by the Water Code. Permanent restrictions shall prohibit wasteful practices such as:
 - Hosing off sidewalks, driveways and other hardscapes;
 - Washing automobiles with hoses not equipped with a shut-off nozzle;
 - Using non-recirculated water in a fountain or other decorative water feature;
 - Watering lawns in a manner that causes runoff, or within 48 hours after measurable precipitation; and
 - Irrigating ornamental turf on public street medians.
5. The Water Board shall rescind those portions of its existing emergency regulations that require a water supply stress test or mandatory conservation standard for urban water agencies.

6. The Department of Water Resources (Department) shall continue work with the Water Board to develop standards that urban water suppliers will use to set new urban water use efficiency targets as directed by Executive Order B-37-16. Upon enactment of legislation, the Water Board shall adopt urban water use efficiency standards that include indoor use, outdoor use, and leaks as well as performance measures for commercial, industrial, and institutional water use. The Department shall provide technical assistance and urban landscape area data to urban water suppliers for determining efficient outdoor use.
7. The Water Board and the Department shall continue to direct actions to minimize water system leaks that waste large amounts of water. The Water Board, after funding projects to address health and safety, shall use loans from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to prioritize local projects that reduce leaks and other water system losses.
8. The Water Board and the Department shall continue to take actions to direct urban and agricultural water suppliers to accelerate their data collection, improve water system management, and prioritize capital projects to reduce water waste. The California Public Utilities Commission is requested to work with investor-owned water utilities to accelerate work to minimize leaks.
9. The Water Board is further directed to work with state agencies and water suppliers to identify mechanisms that would encourage and facilitate the adoption of rate structures and other pricing mechanisms that promote water conservation.
10. All state agencies shall continue response activities that may be needed to manage the lingering drought impacts to people and wildlife. State agencies shall increase efforts at building drought resiliency for the future, including evaluating lessons learned from this current drought, completing efforts to modernize our infrastructure for drought and water supply reliability, and shall take actions to improve monitoring of native fish and wildlife populations using innovative science and technology.

CONTINUED DROUGHT RESPONSE IN FRESNO, KINGS, TULARE, AND TUOLUMNE COUNTIES

11. The Water Board will continue to prioritize new and amended safe drinking water permits that enhance water supply and reliability for community water systems facing water shortages or that expand service connections to include existing residences facing water shortages.
12. The Department and the Water Board will accelerate funding for local water supply enhancement projects and will continue to explore if any existing unspent funds can be repurposed to enable near-term water conservation projects.
13. The Water Board will continue to work with local agencies to identify communities that may run out of drinking water, and will provide technical and financial assistance to help these communities address drinking water

shortages. It will also identify emergency interconnections that exist among the State's public water systems that can help these threatened communities. The Department, the Water Board, the Office of Emergency Services, and the Office of Planning and Research will work with local agencies in implementing solutions to those water shortages.

14. For actions taken in the Counties of Fresno, Kings, Tulare, and Tuolumne pursuant to directives 11–13, the provisions of the Government Code and the Public Contract Code applicable to state contracts, including, but not limited to, advertising and competitive bidding requirements, as well as Division 13 (commencing with section 21000) of the Public Resources Code and regulations adopted pursuant to that Division, are hereby suspended. These suspensions apply to any actions taken by state agencies, and for actions taken by local agencies where the state agency with primary responsibility for implementing the directive concurs that local action is required, as well as for any necessary permits or approvals required to complete these actions.
15. California Disaster Assistance Act Funding is authorized until June 30, 2017 to provide emergency water to individuals and households who are currently enrolled in the emergency water tank program.
16. State departments shall commence all drought remediation projects in Fresno, Kings, Tulare, and Tuolumne Counties within one year of the date of this Executive Order.

This Executive Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 7th day of April 2017.


EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State





CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Consideration of Appointments to Library Facility Planning Committee

SOURCE: Administrative Services

COMMENT: At its meeting on December 15, 2020, the City Council took action to establish a Library Facility Planning Committee comprised of one Council Member, one Library & Literacy Commissioner, one Friends of the Library member, two City staff members (Parks & Leisure Services Director and City Librarian), and two members of the public.

Concerning the two public member Committee positions, staff is in receipt of a three Requests for Appointment from Ms. Carol E. Brown, Ms. Natasha Efseaff, and Mr. Felipe Martinez. Copies of each Request is provided herein for Council's consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider appointments to the Library Facility Planning Committee.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Request for Appointment - Carol E. Brown
2. Request for Appointment - Natasha Efseaff
3. Request for Appointment - Felipe Martinez

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Patrice Hildreth, Deputy City Manager

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager



CITY OF PORTERVILLE REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT



Please complete all blanks.

RECEIVED

Name: Carol E. Brown

(Please Print)

FEB 23 2021

Appointment to: New Library Facility Planning Committee

(Name of Board, Commission, or Committee)

CITY OF PORTERVILLE
CITY MANAGER

☐ Reappointment; or IF NEW, Please provide:

Street Address: [REDACTED]

Porterville, CA 93257

Mailing Address: (same)

Name of Business: Retired as Administrative Assistant to President, Porterville College

☐ Own

☐ Operate

Business Address: _____

Telephone: Home [REDACTED]

Work _____

FAX _____

E-mail [REDACTED]

City of Porterville resident:

☒ Yes

☐ No

Registered Voter:

☒ Yes

☐ No

Qualifications: (It is recommended that a resume or letter accompany this form.)

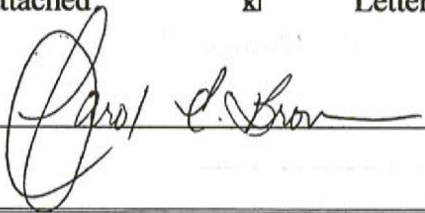
See attached

Please tell us why you are interested in this position.

I grew up in Porterville and the library has always been an essential part of my life as a child and young adult. When I became a parent my husband and I decided to homeschool our two daughters. I took them to the Porterville Library weekly to check out books. After they continued their education in public school as junior high students I went back in the workforce but continued my affiliation with the library in the newly established Adult Literacy Program with the library.

☐ Resume attached

☒ Letter of request attached

Submitted By: 

2-21-2021
Date

Received by: _____

Forwarded to: City Clerk

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Date: _____

City Council

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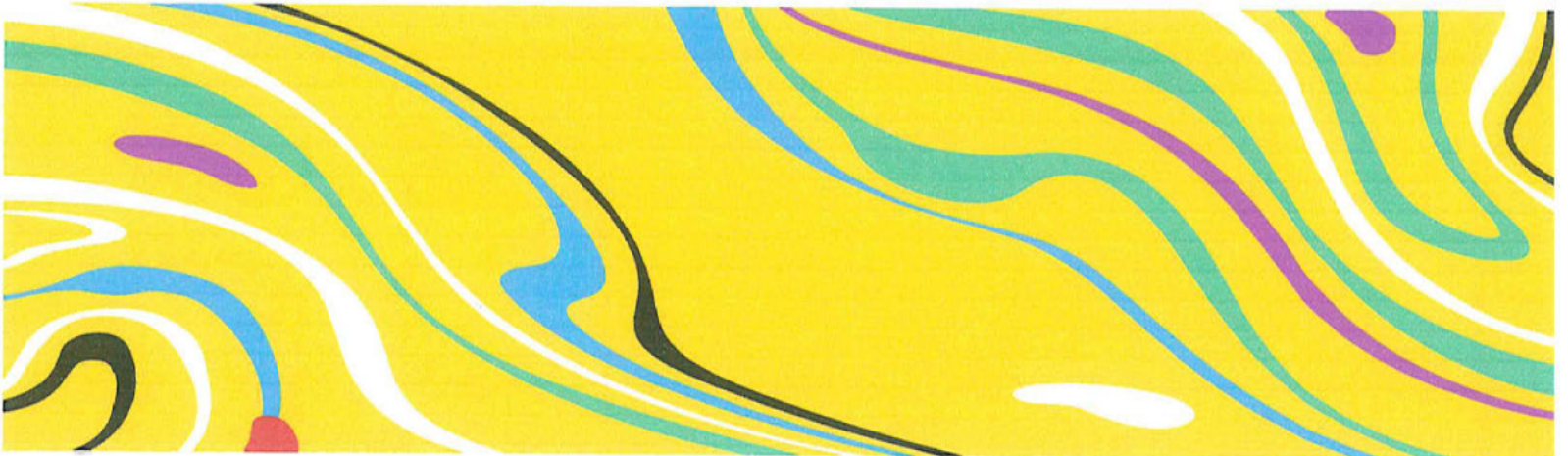
Date: _____

Staff Liaison

☐

Date: _____

Tentative Council Mtg Date: _____



Carol E. Brown

February 23, 2021

City Clerk
291 N. Main Street
Porterville, CA 93257

RE: Library Facility Planning Committee

Contact

[REDACTED]
Porterville, CA 93257
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

To Whom It May Concern,

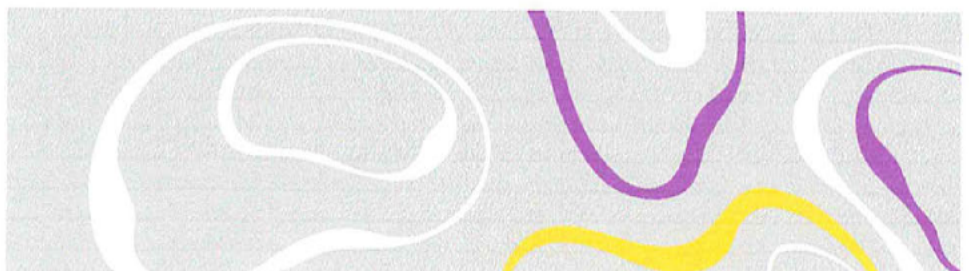
Read your article in the Porterville Recorder requesting anyone interested in serving on the Library Facility Planning Committee. As I stated on my "Request For Appointment" I have always enjoyed the Porterville Library as a patron, introducing our children to the wonders a city library, and later participating in the Adult Literacy Program.

I retired from Porterville College as the Administrative Assistant to the President after a 28-year career. While at the college I have participated in many committees and as well as working with the President in overseeing facility expansions and renovations.

If I would be a benefit to this especially important 'next step' for the reestablishment of our treasured city library I would consider it an honor to serve on this committee.

Sincerely,


Carol E. Brown





CITY OF PORTERVILLE REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT



Please complete all blanks.

Name: Natasha Efseaff

(Please Print)

Appointment to: Library Facility Planning Committee

(Name of Board, Commission, or Committee)

☐ Reappointment; or IF NEW, Please provide:

Street Address:



Porterville, Ca 93257

Mailing Address:

Same as above

Name of Business:

☐ Own

☐ Operate

Business Address:

Telephone: Home



Work



FAX



E-mail



City of Porterville resident:

☒ Yes

☐ No

Registered Voter:

☐ Yes

☒ No

Qualifications: (It is recommended that a resume or letter accompany this form.)

As a Technology Media Specialist the last seven years for Porterville Unified School District, I was in charge of Granite Hills High School Library remodel, into a 21st Century Library and Media Center. There we hosted numerous events from teacher trainings, district meetings along with student and parent meetings. Also at Granite, I helped create two STEAM labs (ACE and CODE Pathways) along with four 21st Century classrooms. I also helped consult for the district on other library remodels at Strathmore HS and the Military Academy. I am currently in the process of remodeling Monache High School's Library into a 21st Century Library and Media Center.

Please tell us why you are interested in this position.

Growing up in Porterville my mother would bring my brothers, sisters and myself every other week to the Porterville Public Library to check out books. Later, my siblings would bring their children to check out books, audiobooks, Dvds and attend the numerous events the Library would host. As a member of this community, I would be honored to help modernize our public library. I have a Master's degree in 21st Century learning where I could apply my knowledge and update the technology we could offer our youth along with our community.

☒ Resume attached

☒ Letter of request attached

Submitted By: Natasha Ezeaff

February 18, 2021
Date

Received by: _____

Forwarded to: City Clerk ☐ Date: _____

City Council ☐ Date: _____

Staff Liaison ☐ Date: _____

Tentative Council Mtg Date: _____



Home of the Spartans!

Strathmore High School

22568 Avenue 196, Strathmore, CA 93267(Physical)

600 W. Grand Porterville, Ca. 93257(Mailing)

P.(559) 568-1731

F.(559) 568-0091

Diane Rankin, Principal

Ryan Born, Athletic Director

Andrew Peterson, Vice Principal

May 23, 2019

Dear Sirs,

Natasha Efseaff currently works as Library Media Specialist at the Granite Hills School. In this position for the past several years, she has played a major part in supporting greater integration of instructional technology in the classroom by providing ongoing professional development for teachers, as well as deployment of 1-1 devices for all students on campus. In recent years she has also advocated for online classes to provide more opportunities for students to have access to high quality rigorous curriculum, and worked with teachers to support their transition to online learning platforms. Throughout the many years that I have worked with Natasha, first as a Social Science teacher and Department Chair, and as media specialist, she has always demonstrated a high level of dedication and professionalism. Her experience and the roles she plays would make her an excellent online instructor for your program.

Natasha is honest and straightforward in character and is confident in her abilities to succeed. She is a creative thinker and a natural problem solver, and she has always been a strong advocate for students while working to help them reach their potential. Her successful experiences as a Library Media Specialist, teacher, and department chair all indicate that she is a very effective educator, and that she is at the leading edge of our efforts to integrate technology everything we do in order to prepare our students for college and career. Having witnessed her grow professionally over many years, I have no doubt that she would maximize the opportunity to be an instructor for your program, and therefore highly recommend her.

Sincerely,

Andrew Peterson
Vice Principal
Strathmore High School
andrewp@portervilleschools.org
(559) 568-1731 ext. 6705



GRANITE HILLS HIGH SCHOOL

1701 East Putnum Avenue, Porterville, CA 93257
<https://granitehills.portervilleschools.org>

(559) 782-7075 (P)
(559) 789-9357 (F)

Apolinar Marroquin, Principal
Kim Ramirez, Assistant Principal
Sara Soria, Assistant Principal

Troy Alvarado, Dean of Counseling
Bud Luther, Athletic Director
Janice Rodriguez, Special Projects Coordinator
Dan Williams, Activities Director

May 20, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Natasha Efseaff is an extremely hardworking individual who strives to better herself, her peers and our students. She challenges herself to learn the latest technology and instructional strategies to help all levels of our staff. Natasha is an individual determined to give her best on a daily basis, help and support all her students along with her co-workers, through whatever means. She is always willing to try new teaching strategies or technology resources then share and train our staff so we integrate technology effectively with our students.

I have known Natasha Efseaff for 14 years, first as a history teacher then as a department chair in our Principal Advisory Board Meetings. As one of our youngest department chairs she was eager to help and support her department and our school. These past years she has grown into a more leadership position becoming our Technology Media Specialist. As our Tech Coach, Natasha helped our staff integrate technology effectively into our classrooms. She held trainings at lunch, after school and department pull out days. Each training was hands on and applicable that week into our classroom. Every training was valuable and never felt like a waste of time, compared to most staff meetings. Most trainings offered focused on English and Math but, Natasha made sure she presented ways to integrate technology for all subjects including non core. Our staff varies in abilities levels but Natasha always presented the material to challenge our techie teachers and support our insecure teachers. During our department pull out days she focused on various ways World Languages Department could implement technology effectively into our classrooms. She help guide us to create common pacing guides and Common Formal Assessments. Staff trainings she would present with her Geek Squad, who provided us individual support throughout her trainings. They are also available during the year to help students with device issues and teachers with technology issues. I did not have to worry about tech issues, Natasha and Geek Squad took care of us, which enabled me to focus on teaching.

As the Spanish Literature Advanced Placement teacher, part of the exam had to be digitally recorded. Technology does not like me but Natasha always made time each year to help my students practice using the various programs so my students were successful on their exam. Some years we would have glitches but Natasha would never let my students suffer, she constantly tried to problem solve so I could focus on the content and my students were successful.

Natasha is a leader on campus trying to help each and every teacher successfully integrate technology into their classroom focusing on 21st century skills. She provides us trainings and gives us the foundation and confidence to implement into our classrooms. If we have issues, she always makes herself available to help us so we have the confidence to integrate various technology platforms into our classes. Granite Hills is a leader in technology for our district because of her trainings and support of our staff.

Natasha Efseaff has been an impeccable staff member to Granite Hills High School. She goes above and beyond to help staff and students, striving to prepare our school in 21st Century learning. It is my privilege to recommend Natasha. Should you have any comment regarding Natasha, feel free to contact me.

Filomena Lewis
World Language Department Chair
frocha@portervilleschools.org

559-942-8379

May 21, 2019

Patrick A. Davis
Technology Specialist

16361 Palomino Dr.
Springville, CA
93265

To whom it may concern,

I have had the pleasure of knowing and working closely with Natasha Efseaff for the past five years. During that time, I had the opportunity to observe her as she built a brand new program from the ground up. Natasha is a dedicated and tenacious problem solver who brings a level of passion and excitement rarely witnessed in a veteran teacher. She has also proven herself to be a lifelong learner, tackling extremely complicated projects and finding innovative ways of producing solutions.

When she took on the role of library media specialist and teacher technology coach, nothing like what she created and implemented had ever been done in our district. We were in the process of deploying iPads and Chromebook devices to every student and teacher on our campus and she was tasked with not only building a methodology for inventory control, but also creating a curriculum for a new class that would engage students and train them to become technology advocates and the tech device triage group known as the geek squad. Additionally, she developed training courses for our teachers covering many different online tools and strategies for using those tools to produce better results in the classroom. We went from having a high percentage of teachers using things like document cameras for displaying coursework in the classroom, to utilizing Google Classroom and creating online assignments and engaging students by having them work together with their devices, sharing content in realtime and being able to display work via casting to classroom displays. Natasha was there every step of the way coaching our teachers, being their cheerleader, their problem solver, and their mentor.

She continues to find ways of improving processes and utilizes everything she has learned in her masters program, which she completed while implementing all of the aforementioned. Natasha is an extremely effective individual who will always get the job done and find ways to bring stakeholders together to achieve great results. It is with all of these qualities in mind, that I can recommend her without hesitation. She is a qualified candidate with a proven track record of success.

Sincerely,

Patrick A. Davis



CITY OF PORTERVILLE REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

Please complete all blanks.

Name: Felipe A. Martinez

(Please Print)

Appointment to: Library Facility Planning Committee

(Name of Board, Commission, or Committee)

☐ Reappointment; or IF NEW, please provide :

Street Address:

[REDACTED]

Porterville, CA 93257

Mailing Address:

same

Name of Business:

Professional Services & Tax Center

☒ Own

☐ Operate

Business Address:

[REDACTED]

Porterville, CA 93257

Telephone:

Home

[REDACTED]

Work

[REDACTED]

FAX

[REDACTED]

E-mail

[REDACTED]

City of Porterville resident:

☒ Yes

☐ No

Registered Voter:

☒ Yes

☐ No

Qualifications: I currently sit as President on the Porterville Unified School District (PUSD)
Governing Board. I have been on the PUSD Governing Board for over six years. I previously
served as an elected Councilmember and Vice Mayor for the City of Porterville. I have
also served on the California Latino Water Coalition and League of California Cities
Association. I have served as president for the Porterville Exchange Club and Tulare and
board member for the Kings County Hispanic Chamber. I was Chairperson for the
StepUP committee. I have served as Chairperson for El Futuro Credit Union, which was
established in the 1960's for low income farm working families. I have also served on
many civic activities to improve the quality and life for the Porterville Community and
surrounding areas.

- ☐ Resume attached
- ☐ Letter of request attached

Submitted By: Felipe A. Martinez 02/22/20
Date

Received by: _____

Forwarded to: City Clerk ☐ Date: _____
City Council ☐ Date: _____
City Manager ☐ Date: _____
Applicable Dept. ☐ Date: _____

Tentative Council Mtg Date: _____



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Fireworks Ordinance Update

SOURCE: Fire

COMMENT: In the weeks following Independence Day 2020, and as staff initiates efforts for the fireworks sales for Independence Day 2021, a series of three subjects have been brought forward for consideration. The subjects include prohibition or limitation of certain fireworks; fines; and enforcement efforts. Staff presents this report to provide information about the City's current regulations related to fireworks as well as possible amendments that have been used in other jurisdictions. Should the City Council have interest in modifying any of the City's regulations related to fireworks, such action would need to be scheduled in short order to be effective prior to July 2021.

The City's Fireworks Ordinance is codified as Article II of Chapter 12 of the Porterville Municipal Code. Currently, the Porterville Fireworks Ordinance allows use of all "safe and sane" fireworks, which are commonly sold by various non-profit organizations representing two distributors: TNT Fireworks and Phantom Fireworks. In recent years, a number of residents have brought forward concerns to the Council about fireworks that emit noise, specifically requesting that such fireworks be banned from the City due to the impacts of noise on combat veterans and animals. Although certain "safe and sane" fireworks do emit sounds, the majority of the noise complaints seem to reference illegal fireworks.

However, one type of "safe and sane" firework is particularly known for its loud, shrill sound. Piccolo Pete's (TNT Fireworks) and the Whistling Phantom (Phantom Fireworks) are probably the loudest of the "safe and sane" fireworks available in California. In addition to the noise issue, these particular fireworks are also commonly and readily converted to an explosive device. For this reason – not noise but safety hazard – these fireworks have been prohibited in several other agencies. During staff's research we found no ordinances that prohibited any fireworks due to noise. It should be noted that the vendors that sell "safe and sane" fireworks in the Porterville area have offered to stop selling Piccolo Pete's or Whistling Phantoms in the city of Porterville (please see attached correspondence). Voluntary removal of these fireworks from the local booths would reduce but not eliminate the issue, as residents and their guests would still be able to purchase these devices in the unincorporated areas of Tulare County or in other cities, and bring them into the city for use.

Possession or use of illegal fireworks is strictly prohibited in the city of

Item No. 11.

Porterville, and the City's fine for such acts is \$1,500. Staff has researched other agencies throughout the State and has found that the amounts of fines for these actions generally range from \$1,000 to \$10,000. Most of the fines are on a graduated scale that starts with \$1,000. In Porterville, a first offense is \$1,500, and any subsequent offense is the same. Staff is aware that it is not unusual for a large group or block party to just accept the risk of being caught, and pool funds to pay the fine if the group is caught with illegal fireworks. This "crowd-funding" reduces the impact of the fine and in turn minimizes its efficacy.

Fines could be increased, or set on a scale for repeat offenders. However, as noted below, even catching someone in violation of the Code is increasingly difficult, and an increased fine does not necessarily mean that violators will be cited and fined. There are a couple of jurisdictions that are using a scale of \$2,500, \$5,000, and \$10,000 for the discharge of illegal fireworks, and \$1,000, \$2,500, and \$5,000 for other or "Safe and Sane" violations. Any increased fines would need to be justified as to the impact on health and safety for the community, which could readily be prepared based on incidents and accidents related to fireworks in the past. The City Attorneys Office has reviewed the legal restrictions concerning administrative fines and has found that while there is no bright line monetary limit, the amount of any fine must be reasonable and not excessive in light of the violation. In court challenges concerning the reasonableness of a fine, appropriate factors/bases for the setting the fine amounts include but are not limited to the fines assessed for the same or similar violations in other jurisdictions, the nature of the offense and danger to or other effect on the public, and the ability to consider mitigating factors in the ultimate imposition of the fine.

Due to the ratio of Code Enforcement staff and Police Officers available for fireworks enforcement detail on Independence Day to the number of people celebrating the holiday with illegal fireworks, community enforcement has in the past been difficult and only moderately successful. The Police Department is proposing a drone program that could include an illegal fireworks detail that would aid in the identification of the discharge location of the illegal fireworks.

In an effort to coordinate a more effective response, the Fire Chief has been coordinating with the Tulare County Fire Chiefs to discuss the concept of a county-wide illegal fireworks task force. Such a task force would coordinate law enforcement, code enforcement, and fire department personnel throughout the county, and could team up to focus on different locations with more pronounced enforcement, much like when a county-wide sting operation might take place with law enforcement. Such a group would also focus on education about the laws and fines associated with the possession or use of illegal fireworks. Both the Porterville Fire Chief and the County of Tulare Fire Chief have already presented this concept to the Tulare/Kings County Fire Chiefs Association; the concept was broadly supported and that group requested coordination with the Tulare County Police Chiefs Association on the concept of a county-wide task force.

Additional tools that might aid in more successful enforcement include a

program that, much like “Crime Stoppers” offers an award for neighbors that advise the task force of a planned discharge of illegal fireworks, or the establishment of a “Host Ordinance”. A host ordinance is a concept that has been used in other jurisdictions around California which hold the property owner accountable for the discharge of illegal fireworks from their property – regardless of who actually discharged the device. If either of these options are of interest to the Council, additional information could be sought to outline how such programs might function in the city of Porterville.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider options concerning the City's Fireworks Ordinance and provide direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Chapter 12 Article II of the Porterville Municipal Code
2. Revell Communications Correspondence - February 12, 2021

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

John Lollis, City Manager

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager

ARTICLE II. FIREWORKS

SECTION:

12-2.1: Definitions

12-2.2: Sales Of Fireworks; Permits Required

12-2.3: Public Displays Of Fireworks

12-2.4: Number Of Permits Limited/Preapplication

12-2.5: Sales Of Safe And Sane Fireworks; Applications For Permits

12-2.6: Permit Issuance Based On Drawing Selections

12-2.7: Period Of Discharge

12-2.8: Prohibitions On Discharge

12-2.9: Time Period For Sale

12-2.10: Prohibitions

12-2.11: Regulations

12-2.12: Fireworks Stands; Requirements

12-2.13: Fireworks Stands; Locations

12-2.14: Certificate Of Insurance

12-2.15: State Fireworks Law

12-2.16: Revocation Of Permits

12-2.17: Nonissuance Of Permits

12-2.18: Seizure Of Fireworks

12-2.19: Exceptions

12-2.20: Violations; Penalties

12-2.1: DEFINITIONS:

For the purposes of this article, definitions shall have the respective meaning ascribed to them in section 12500 et seq., of the Health And Safety Code of the state of California, and, unless otherwise apparent from the context, certain words and phrases used in this article are defined as follows:

CITY: The city of Porterville.

DANGEROUS FIREWORKS: Any fireworks specified as such in the state fireworks law, section 12500 et seq., of the Health And Safety Code of the state and such other fireworks as may be determined to be dangerous by the state fire marshal.

ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATION: An organization which has met all of the following criteria for a continuous period of not less than one full year preceding submittal of an application for the permit required by this article (and which continues to do so thereafter):

A. The organization must be a duly organized not for profit charitable, religious, civic, patriotic or community service organization;

B. The organization must be headquartered within and clearly affiliated or identified with Porterville;

C. The organization must be one which provides direct and regular community services and benefits to the citizens of the city; and

D. The organization must hold its regularly scheduled meetings within the city;

E. Must maintain a bona fide membership of at least twenty (20) members;

F. The organization must have a tax exempt identification number assigned to them;

G. One application per tax exempt ID number will be allowed; and

H. One permit per tax exempt number will be allowed.

FIRE CHIEF: The fire chief or his/her duly authorized designee.

FIREWORKS: Any combustible or explosive composition, or any substance or combination of substances, or device prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or an audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration or detonation, and shall include blank cartridges, toy pistols, toy cannons, toy canes or toy guns in which explosives are used, firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, roman candles, daygo bombs, sparklers or other devices of like construction and any devices containing any explosive or flammable compound, or any tablet or other device containing an explosive substance; except that the term "fireworks" shall not include any auto flares, paper caps containing not in excess of an average of twenty five one- hundredths (0.25) of a grain of explosive content per cap and toy pistols, toy canes, toy guns or other devices for use of such caps, the sale and use of which shall be permitted at all times.

SAFE AND SANE FIREWORKS: Any fireworks which do not fall within the definition of "dangerous fireworks" or "exempt fireworks" per Health And Safety Code section 12529. The California state fire marshal's seal of registration shall be applied to all classified fireworks and pyrotechnic devices by a licensed manufacturer, importer, exporter or wholesaler and shall indicate the classification assigned by the state fire marshal.

STAND: Any building, counter, or other structure of a temporary nature used in the sale or offering for sale of fireworks pursuant to a permit duly issued. (Ord. 1650 § 2, 4-6-2004; Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011; Ord. 1799, 11-5-2013)

12-2.2: SALES OF FIREWORKS; PERMITS REQUIRED:

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale any dangerous fireworks in the city.

B. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale any "safe and sane" fireworks in the city without first obtaining a permit therefor. (Ord. 1650 § 3, 4-6-2004)

12-2.3: PUBLIC DISPLAYS OF FIREWORKS:

The fire chief shall have power to adopt reasonable rules and regulations for the granting of permits for supervised public displays of fireworks by a jurisdiction, fair associations, amusement parks, other organizations or for use of fireworks by artisans in pursuit of their trade. Every such use or display shall be handled by a licensed operator approved by the fire chief and shall be of such character and so located, discharged or fired so as, in the opinion of the fire chief after proper investigation, not to be hazardous to property or endanger any person. Said rules and regulations are as follows:

A. Applications: Applications for permits shall be made in writing at least ten (10) days in advance of the date of the display. After such privilege shall be granted, sale, possession, use and distribution of fireworks for such display shall be lawful for that purpose only. No permit granted hereunder shall be transferable.

B. Bond For Fireworks Display Required: The permittee shall furnish a bond or certificate of insurance in an amount deemed adequate by the city's risk manager for the payment of all damages which may be caused either to a person or persons or to property by reason of the permitted display and arising from any acts of the permittee, his agents, employees or subcontractors.

C. Disposal Of Unfired Fireworks: Any fireworks that remain unfired after the display is concluded shall be immediately disposed of in a way safe for the particular type of fireworks remaining. (Ord. 1650 § 3, 4-6-2004; Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011)

12-2.4: NUMBER OF PERMITS LIMITED/PREAPPLICATION:

The maximum number of permits to sell "safe and sane" fireworks which may be issued pursuant to this article during any one calendar year shall not exceed one permit for each four thousand (4,000) residents of the city,

or major fraction thereof, based on the most recent population figure as determined by the federal decennial census and updated annually by the California state department of finance. If the number of preapplications received up to and including the last day for making applications pursuant to this article exceeds the number of permits to be issued for the city, the fire chief shall thereafter supervise a public drawing to determine an order of priority for each preapplication. Preapplications can be obtained at the fire department or online at the city of Porterville's website between January 1 and the last business day of January. All applicants will be assigned a number in the order in which the preapplication is received. The drawing will be held between February 16 and February 28 each year. (Ord. 1799, 11-5-2013)

12-2.5: SALES OF SAFE AND SANE FIREWORKS; APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS:

Permits to sell "safe and sane" fireworks shall be issued by the fire chief. Application packets for a permit will be furnished to eligible organizations whose number has been drawn. Each organization must meet all the applicable requirements set forth in the application for permits section and the permit issuance section.

A. Any eligible organization desiring to sell "safe and sane" fireworks in the city of Porterville shall obtain a permit application from the fire department. Permit applications shall be obtained during the period commencing the first business day of March and ending the last business day in March.

B. Such applications shall be signed by a bona fide officer of the eligible organization, wherein the officer, on behalf of the organization and its agents, shall agree to abide by state laws and administrative regulations and all the stipulations of this code and the permit if permission to operate a fireworks stand shall be granted to the organization.

C. Completed applications shall be returned to the fire department no later than five o'clock (5:00) P.M. on the last business day of March each year. Any eligible organization making an application for such permit to sell "safe and sane" fireworks that fails to return the completed application prior to five o'clock (5:00) P.M. on the last regular business day in March shall not be issued a permit to sell "safe and sane" fireworks.

D. The licensee shall use the net proceeds derived from its operations under such license only for such nonprofit, charitable, religious or eleemosynary service projects that shall be of direct benefit to the city of Porterville and for no other purpose. (Ord. 1650 § 3, 4-6-2004; Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011; Ord. 1799, 11-5-2013)

12-2.6: PERMIT ISSUANCE BASED ON DRAWING SELECTIONS:

A. All eligible organizations shall obtain and submit to the fire department the following forms supplied by the fire department. Forms will be supplied to those organizations whose drawn assigned number is sequentially within the total number of permits to be issued. All other applicants will be placed on a waiting list in the sequence of their drawn assigned number. If an applicant does not satisfy the requirements of this section within the time periods identified in this section, the next drawn assigned number on the waiting list will be notified and provided with the following paperwork:

1. The property owner's release form signed by the property owner authorizing permission to erect a fireworks stand on his property;
 2. The fireworks storage form indicating where and how the fireworks will be stored when not in the approved stand;
 3. The state fire marshal's license to sell safe and sane fireworks;
 4. A copy of the temporary seller's permit issued by the state board of equalization; and
 - a. The certificate of insurance required by section 12-2.14 of this article.
 - b. A statement of organization eligibility.
 - c. A site plan indicating location of stand, distance to nearest building, ingress, egress, parking, etc.
- B. These forms must be returned to the fire department by the last business day of March.
- C. No permit issued or authorized shall be transferable or assignable.

D. When all the application requirements have been completed and the fireworks stand location has been approved, the fire department shall authorize the erection of a fireworks stand. Each qualified organization shall pay to the administrative services director or designee a permit fee amount as listed in the master administrative fee schedule amended from time to time by resolution of the city council. This fee will include a

refundable cleanup deposit. Each permit shall be for only one stand per eligible organization and shall be forwarded to the fire department for delivery as set forth in subsection E of this section.

E. Permits will be effective only when issued by the fire department after the final inspection of the stand shows compliance with all the requirements of this article. (Ord. 1650 § 3, 4-6-2004; Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011; Ord. 1799, 11-5-2013)

12-2.7: PERIOD OF DISCHARGE:

Safe and sane fireworks, as defined by section 12529 of the California Health And Safety Code, as amended ("fireworks"), may be discharged within the city limits of the city of Porterville ("city") during the period beginning at twelve o'clock (12:00) noon on June 28 and ending at eleven fifty nine o'clock (11:59) P.M. on July 4 of any year. (Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011)

12-2.8: PROHIBITIONS ON DISCHARGE:

It shall be unlawful for any person to ignite, explode, project, or otherwise fire or use, or permit the ignition, explosion or projection of any fireworks upon, over, or onto the private property of another, or to ignite, explode, project, or otherwise fire or make use of any fireworks within fifteen feet (15') of any residence, dwelling or any other structure, public property, fields or waterway. (Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011)

12-2.9: TIME PERIOD FOR SALE:

"Safe and sane fireworks" may be sold within the city limits of the city of Porterville during the period beginning twelve o'clock (12:00) noon on June 28 and ending at ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. on July 4. The hours of operation of any stand shall be limited to nine o'clock (9:00) A.M. to ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. daily during the days identified in this article, except that hours of operation of any stand on June 28 shall commence at twelve o'clock (12:00) noon. (Ord. 1650 § 3, 4-6-2004)

12-2.10: PROHIBITIONS:

A. The manufacture of fireworks is prohibited within the jurisdiction.

B. No person shall possess, sell, deliver, deal in, use, explode or fire, or cause to be used, exploded or fired, any form of fireworks designated as "dangerous fireworks" by section 12505 of the Health And Safety Code of the state of California.

C. The possession, sale, delivery, dealing in, use, exploding or firing of any form of fireworks designated as "safe and sane fireworks" by section 12529 of the Health And Safety Code of the state of California is expressly prohibited, except as limited by this article.

D. It shall be unlawful to store any fireworks in any residence, home, garage, or automobile within the city of Porterville. It shall also be unlawful to store any fireworks in any building or other place within the city of Porterville without having first applied for and received a permit pursuant to section 12-2.2 of this article.

E. No fireworks shall be stored within one hundred feet (100') of any gasoline service station or any garage located within twenty five feet (25') of any other structure. Any facility for the storage of fireworks shall maintain a minimum setback from the street curbing of ten feet (10').

F. No person shall light, or cause or permit to be lighted, any fireworks, or any other article or material, within any structure approved for fireworks storage, or within fifty feet (50') thereof.

G. No smoking shall be allowed in any structure that is used for storing fireworks nor within fifty feet (50') of said structure. "No Smoking" signs shall be prominently displayed. (Ord. 1650 § 4, 4-6-2004; Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011)

12-2.11: REGULATIONS:

It shall be unlawful for any eligible organization to which a permit has been issued:

A. To operate in violation of California Code Of Regulations title 19, chapter 6, regulating the storage, transportation, sale and use of fireworks.

B. To obtain or use more than one permit for one stand per year.

C. To fail to clear all flammable or burnable materials within thirty feet (30') from any fireworks stand and to maintain such conditions during the period prescribed for the sale of fireworks.

D. To allow smoking within fifty feet (50') of any such business location or stand or to fail to post "No Smoking" signs with such wording in red letters not less than four inches (4") in height on a white background on all sides of any such stand.

E. To fail to have immediately available within the stand a certified fire extinguisher or other fire extinguishing device of a type approved by the fire department.

F. To sell fireworks earlier than twelve o'clock (12:00) noon on June 28 or later than ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. on July 4.

G. To fail to dismantle and remove any stand or structure of any nature where fireworks were sold as of five o'clock (5:00) P.M. July 8.

H. To sell fireworks to persons under sixteen (16) years of age.

I. No person other than a member (or their spouse) of the organization or a volunteer who is associated with the organization having a permit shall be permitted to sell or otherwise participate in the sale of fireworks. All fireworks stands shall have the safety regulations posted inside the stand in an approved location. The size of the safety poster will be approved and provided by the fire department. A maximum of one member for every four (4) linear feet of stand is permitted within the stand at any one time (i.e., if the stand is 32 feet long, 32 divided by 4 equals 8 members allowed in the stand) and all persons selling fireworks must be at least eighteen (18) years old.

J. No sleeping inside the fireworks stand will be permitted at any time.

K. No person shall use or handle fireworks while under the influence of intoxicating liquids or narcotics. Alcohol and narcotics are prohibited within the fireworks stand.

L. All electrical/spark producing appliances (fans, coolers, air conditioners, etc.) are prohibited inside the fireworks stands and shall not block the means of egress. (Ord. 1650 § 4, 4-6-2004; Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011; Ord. 1799, 11-5-2013)

12-2.12: FIREWORKS STANDS; REQUIREMENTS:

All retail sales of "safe and sane fireworks" shall be permitted only from within a temporary fireworks stand and sales from any other building or structure is prohibited. Temporary stands shall be subject to the following provisions:

A. No fireworks stand shall be located within twenty five feet (25') of any other building or within one hundred feet (100') of a gasoline pump, or within one hundred feet (100') of another fireworks stand, when measured closest point to closest point. Canopies within ten feet (10') of a stand shall be considered an extension of the stand for measurement of setback distances. Minimum setback from the street curbing, alley, or driveway shall be ten feet (10'). Stands shall not cover or impede any public rights of way.

B. No stand shall have a floor area in excess of four hundred (400) square feet. The width and length of each stand shall be a maximum of ten feet by forty feet (10' x 40'), respectively.

C. Each stand must have at least two (2) exits located on separate walls. Fireworks stands with only three (3) sides and open from the back will not require exits. Fireworks stands shall have exits at least thirty inches (30") in width at both ends of the structure. An aisle with a minimum width of thirty inches (30") shall lead to each exit. Exits shall remain unobstructed. No supplies or other materials shall be stored in front of exit doors. All exit doors shall remain unlocked and unlatched whenever the stand is occupied.

D. Each stand shall keep easily accessible a minimum of one 2¹/₂-gallon water pressure type fire extinguisher and one 2A10BC rated dry chemical fire extinguisher and each shall be in good working order and bear a current inspection sticker. Extinguishers must be of a type approved for such use by the Porterville fire department.

E. All stands must be constructed of solid wood or metal.

F. After hours, stands must be properly secured or a security guard must be provided to patrol the premises. Under no circumstances shall the night watchman sleep within the fireworks stand.

G. All unsold stock and accompanying litter shall be removed from the location by five o'clock (5:00) P.M. July 5.

H. Fireworks stand may be brought to the site one week prior to June 28 and must be dismantled and removed by five o'clock (5:00) P.M. July 8.

I. Temporary lighting may be installed in the fireworks stands. Approved temporary lights must have a guard protecting the bulb/fixture and all wiring and fixtures must be 3-wire and grounded.

J. Primary power to the temporary lighting may be by means of on site commercial power in a fixed facility or by means of an on site portable generator. Generators must be located at least twenty five feet (25') from the fireworks stand. Location of portable generators must be approved by fire department.

K. Fuel for portable generators is not allowed to be kept on the premises.

L. No switches, electrical receptacles (plug ins), or splices are permitted within the stand.

M. Extension cords to the stand are to be heavy duty, minimum of fifteen (15) amp capacity, and protected from vehicular damage. Romex is not an acceptable extension cord.

N. All trash shall be removed from the premises and the fireworks stand each evening at the close of business.

O. No person shall light, or cause or permit to be lighted, any fireworks or any other article or material within any such stand, or within fifty feet (50') thereof.

P. No alcoholic beverages shall be allowed on the premises. No person who is under the influence of alcoholic beverages shall enter or be allowed into the sales booth.

Q. Signage will be clearly displayed at each site providing for the fines as specified in section 12-2.20 of this article.

R. Canopies within twenty five feet (25') of a stand must be labeled by the manufacturer as fire resistive. The total allowable canopy area within twenty five feet (25') of a stand shall be no larger than two hundred (200) square feet.

S. Canopies within twenty five feet (25') of a stand shall meet the requirements set forth in the California code of regulations title 24, part 9, chapter 24 and title 19, division 1. (Ord. 1650 § 4, 4-6-2004; Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011; Ord. 1799, 11-5-2013)

12-2.13: FIREWORKS STANDS; LOCATIONS:

A. In no instance shall any fireworks stand be located within a residential zoned district.

B. No stand shall be located closer than one hundred feet (100') from another. (Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011)

12-2.14: CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE:

Prior to the issuance of a permit, the eligible organization shall procure a certificate of insurance acceptable to the city. The certificate shall name the city of Porterville, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers as "additional insured". The certificate shall evidence coverage in an amount determined by the city's risk manager; providing, however, the amount shall not be less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) combined bodily injury and property damage for each occurrence, and the deductible, if any, shall not be greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). The certificate shall specify the time, location, and dates to be covered by the policy. The certificate shall be provided to the fire department no later than five o'clock (5:00) P.M. on the last regular business day in March of the subject year or at such other time as the chief of the fire department may allow. (Ord. 1330, 5-7-1985; Ord. 1568, 1-19-1999; Ord. 1601, 5-1-2001; Ord. 1799, 11-5-2013)

12-2.15: STATE FIREWORKS LAW:

The provisions of this article shall be construed so as not to conflict with the state fireworks law. (Ord. 1330, 5-7-1985; Ord. 1568, 1-19-1999; Ord. 1601, 5-1-2001)

12-2.16: REVOCATION OF PERMITS:

Any violation of this article or other city laws, or the terms and conditions of the permit, or state laws or administrative regulations, or safety rules of the fire department shall be grounds for the immediate revocation of the permit. All officers, agents, and employees of the eligible organization shall be responsible for compliance with all the provisions of this article. (Ord. 1330, 5-7-1985; Ord. 1568, 1-19-1999; Ord. 1601, 5-1-2001)

12-2.17: NONISSUANCE OF PERMITS:

The final decision to issue permits shall rest with the fire chief. In cases such as civil unrest, severe drought conditions, or any other such situation deemed to be harmful or to have the possibility of creating an extreme hazard to persons and/or property the fire chief shall be the final authority in granting permits for fireworks sales. The right to refuse permits to applicants who have violated the regulations in this article in previous years shall also rest with the fire chief. (Ord. 1330, 5-7-1985; Ord. 1568, 1-19-1999; Ord. 1601, 5-1-2001)

12-2.18: SEIZURE OF FIREWORKS:

The fire chief shall have the authority to seize, take, remove, or cause to be removed at the expense of the owner, all stocks of fireworks offered or exposed for sale, stored, or held in violation of this article. (Ord. 1776, 4-5-2011)

12-2.19: EXCEPTIONS:

Nothing in this article shall be construed as prohibiting the use of torpedoes, flares, or fuses by railroads or other transportation agencies for signal purposes of illumination; or the sale or use of blank cartridges for ceremonial purposes, athletic, or sports events or military ceremonies or demonstrations; or the sale, discharge or display of fireworks by permittees having a permit as herein provided; or the use and display of fireworks of whatever nature by any person engaged in the production of motion pictures, theatricals, or operas when such use and display is a necessary part of such production; or the transportation of fireworks through the city in regular course, and in original packages or containers from any point outside of the city to any other point outside the city. (Ord. 1330, 5-7-1985; Ord. 1568, 1-19-1999; Ord. 1601, 5-1-2001)

12-2.20: VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES:

Fines for the manufacture, possession, sale, delivery, use, or discharge of dangerous fireworks within the city of Porterville shall be one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00). (Ord. 1799, 11-5-2013)

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Fire Marshal Clayton Dignam
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RE: Our Client: American Promotional Events, Inc (TNT Fireworks)

SUBJECT: Your email of February 10, 2021

Response on behalf of: TNT Fireworks and Phantom Fireworks

Dear Fire Marshal Dignam:

While our firm represents TNT Fireworks, please be advised that I have been requested and authorized by both our client and Phantom Fireworks to respond on behalf of both companies to your email below wherein you requested the opportunity to view both companies' current packages containing "Piccolo Pete style fireworks" and conduct a live display of these same "Piccolo Pete style fireworks" for the City Council as it has expressed some interest in possibly restricting the sale and use of these items within the City of Porterville. Before responding to your request, I thought it would be beneficial for those who may not have the same depth of understanding of fireworks and their regulations in California that you and Chief LaPere have, to provide some background information first.

BACKGROUND

During the recent City Council meeting, it appeared there was some confusion as to what exactly are California State Fire Marshal-Approved, Safe and Sane Fireworks. In addition to federal restrictions, California has enacted the most stringent safety standards in the nation to ensure that the fireworks items that are legal to sell in California are as safe as possible. Safe and Sane Fireworks consist of primarily static, ground-based fountains, some handheld items, a few spinners and novelty items. Safe and Sane Fireworks do not explode or fly into the air.

In California, the Office of the State Fire Marshal engages in an extensive testing and approval process of a limited variety of fireworks that are known and labeled as "Safe and Sane" but also are often referred to as "State Fire Marshal-Approved" or "State-Approved" Fireworks. These State-Approved Fireworks may be identified by the State Fire Marshal Seal, found on the individual fireworks, or the boxes containing them.

The laws and regulations governing the sale, use and storage of fireworks in California can be found in California Health and Safety Code Sections 12500-12759 and Title 19, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 6. California Health and Safety Code Section 12550, et seq. sets forth that the California State Fire Marshal has the exclusive responsibility and power to test and classify all types of fireworks or pyrotechnic devices. Title 19, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 6, Article 6, Section 986, et. seq. established the State Fire Marshal's extensive classification and testing criteria for fireworks in order for an item to receive the Safe and Sane classification and bear the California State Fire Marshal Seal. While California's current regulations contain the most stringent testing requirements in the country, in 2021 the Office of the State Fire Marshal will be promulgating new improved regulations that are even more detailed and demanding than the current regulations.

On or by June 20 of each year, the Office of the State Fire Marshal distributes a master list of fireworks items which have been classified as "Safe and Sane" by their office and which are authorized for sale and use in any California jurisdictions that permits their sale and use.

As I believe you have been advised, TNT Fireworks' "Piccolo Pete" is a registered trademarked item for TNT Fireworks as is "Whistling Phantom", a similar device, a trademarked item for Phantom Fireworks. I have been advised by TNT Fireworks and Phantom Fireworks that both of their items are no longer constructed like they were when the City of Bakersfield first eliminated their use and sale in the City of Bakersfield. We provided the members of your City Council a Power Point Presentation prepared by Dr. John Conkling, a nationally recognized pyrotechnic chemist and former Executive Director of the American Pyrotechnic Association, that discusses how in 2008 the manufacturer incorporated several new safety measures into the design and construction of these items to reduce the possibility of someone misusing them. Both the "Piccolo Pete" and "Whistling

Phantom” have been tested and approved by the Office of the California State Fire Marshal since their redesign.

Please be advised that TNT Fireworks only offers its “Piccolo Pete” for sale as an individual counter item or in a package known as “Triple Treat” and Phantom Fireworks only offers its “Whistling Phantom” as a counter item or in a package known as “Phantom’s Favorites”.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

In an effort to avoid the rather complicated COVID and Brown Act compliance constraints that the City Council, city staff, your department and TNT Fireworks’ and Phantom Fireworks’ employees would have to go through to comply with your request, **we would respectfully submit that both TNT Fireworks and Phantom Fireworks will voluntarily remove from sale in their stands within the City of Porterville the “Piccolo Pete” and “Whistling Phantom” along with the “Triple Treat” and “Phantom Favorites” packages containing them.**

Furthermore, we look forward to working with the City Attorney, your department and the City Manager to develop a Fireworks Social Host Ordinance and a Cost Recovery Ordinance that can be in place before this 4th of July and finding improvements to increase Porterville’s Administrative Fine collection rates.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this proposal.

Very Truly Yours,

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Implementation of an Unmanned Aerial System Program

SOURCE: Police

COMMENT: The Porterville Police Department has been in the process of developing an Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Program for some time and has undertaken related research to support the adoption of a program that would be beneficial to the City. As part of the research, a Department Command Staff member consulted on several occasions with subject matter expert, Mr. Mark Hall of “All Drone Solutions” in Exeter. Mr. Hall is the leading provider and trainer for UAS’s in Tulare County and has been heavily involved with new and upcoming technology for more than twenty (20) years.

Department research has shown that UAS’s are often utilized to augment a variety of law enforcement functions while enhancing the ability to provide public safety and helping to mitigate Officer safety hazards while performing these functions. This is due to the ability of UAS’s to increase operational efficiency in their wide range of functions, an ability enhanced by the UAS’s portability and ability to rapidly deploy.

While UAS’s are commonly utilized for law enforcement related activity, their versatility allows for use of City related functions as a collective and can mitigate potential hazards to other City staff. Almost every City Department can potentially benefit from the Police Department having a UAS Program. Potential deployment reasons in the City for UAS’s include:

- Surveying scenes during natural and manmade disasters
- Monitoring large crowds, events and illegal activity
- Searching large areas for missing children/dangerous persons, etc.
- Mapping/site surveys/periodic assessment of critical infrastructure
- Site assessment and intelligence gathering to assist in deployment decisions during large structure/open land fire incidents
- Checking structural integrity of buildings/other infrastructure after significant events such as earthquakes
- Support of tactical operations

Currently, several law enforcement agencies within Tulare County have implemented a UAS Program. A Department Command Staff member has attended trainings and demonstrations of those programs, as well as consulted with those directly involved with these programs. A variety of UAS models have been explored and the acquisition of DJI brand UAS’s is highly recommended and is currently being utilized by local allied agencies. The DJI models have a variety of adaptability, which best fits into the operational

environment best suited for the development of our UAS Program, to include interchangeable attachments and thermal imagery, as found with the Enterprise Zoom and Enterprise Dual. Additionally, the DJI mini UAS provides for even more operational efficiency within confined spaces, making it more compatible with the operational functions of the Special Weapons and Tactics Team, as well as giving the Fire Department access to the interior of larger buildings for fire assessment.

The Department currently has, through its policy provider, a legally compliant policy on UAS Operations. This policy is provided as an attachment to this report and is also accessible on the Police Department's webpage. An operations/protocol guide with deployment guidelines is also being developed which will ensure conformity to the policy. Both Fire Department and Public Works Department staff would be involved in the development of those guidelines/protocols pertaining to their needs/operations. Additionally, the Department also currently employs an Officer who is a Part-107 certified operator. This Officer gained his certification prior to laterally transferring to the Department. Additional personnel will be designated to become a certified operator and will obtain Part-107 certification. Additionally, it is the Department's intent to obtain separately, a Certificate of Waiver or Authorization (COA) which ultimately grants permissions/access to operate without certain constraints. However, recent developments related to the Certificate of Waiver or Authorization suggest it may be completely eliminated in the near future, thus allowing government agencies to operate without seeking approval.

Based on the above, it is requested that the City Council consider authorizing the Police Department to implement an Unmanned Aerial System Program, which would also be available for deployment to all City Departments. Based on the Department's research and in conjunction with the development of deployment guidelines, it is believed that five drones of varying capabilities are necessary to properly implement a UAS Program. As such, with the Council's approval to implement a UAS Program, it is requested Council authorize Department Staff to enter into an agreement with All Drone Solutions for the purchase of five drones to include two day operation drones, two night operation drones and one tactical operation drone at a total cost of \$18,440.77. Only one quote was obtained, as staff believes All Drone Solutions qualifies as a sole source provider due to the following information:

- All Drone Solutions has equipped and trained fifteen (15) different local police and fire departments in Tulare County and Fresno County, as well as the Los Angeles Police Department. Using All Drone Solutions as the provider will allow for more seamless mutual training/operations, as well as provide local resources for questions as they arise.
- Department research has shown that the preferred drone models are manufactured by DJI. All Drone Solutions is the only local authorized DJI distributor/repair facility.
- In the event one or more of the drones are in need of repair, inoperable drones can be quickly delivered to All Drone Solutions, reducing shipping costs and turnaround time.

Funds for this purchase are available in the current Police Department budget.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

- 1) Authorize the Police Department to implement an Unmanned Aerial System Program; and,
- 2) Authorize the purchase of five drones from All Drone Solutions in the amount of \$18,440.77.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. All Drone Solutions Quote
2. Police Department Policy 604: Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Operations

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Eric Kroutil, Police Chief

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager

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Estimate

ADDRESS

Porterville Police Department
350 N D St
Porterville, CA 93257

ESTIMATE # 1120

DATE 02/11/2021

ACTIVITY	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
DJI Mavic 2 Enterprise Dual	2	3,350.00	6,700.00T
DJI Mavic 2 Enterprise Zoom	2	2,995.00	5,990.00T
DJI Mavic Pro 2 Fly More Combo Kit	4	469.00	1,876.00T
DJI Mini 2 with Fly More Combo	1	599.99	599.99T
DJI Mavic Pro 2 Battery	4	189.00	756.00T
Mini iPad Mount for DJI MAVIC Pro	5	29.99	149.95T
Set-Up and Prep Fee (includes updating firmware, calibration, test flight etc)	5	60.00	300.00T
Training - 6-8 hours of training in classroom and/or flight center	1	800.00	800.00

SUBTOTAL	17,171.94
TAX	1,268.83
TOTAL	\$18,440.77

Accepted By

Accepted Date

Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Operations

604.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the use of an unmanned aerial system (UAS) and for the storage, retrieval and dissemination of images and data captured by the UAS.

604.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) - An unmanned aircraft of any type that is capable of sustaining directed flight, whether preprogrammed or remotely controlled (commonly referred to as an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV)), and all of the supporting or attached systems designed for gathering information through imaging, recording or any other means.

604.2 POLICY

Unmanned aerial systems may be utilized to enhance the department's mission of protecting lives and property when other means and resources are not available or are less effective. Any use of a UAS will be in strict accordance with constitutional and privacy rights and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations.

604.3 PRIVACY

The use of the UAS potentially involves privacy considerations. Absent a warrant or exigent circumstances, operators and observers shall adhere to FAA altitude regulations and shall not intentionally record or transmit images of any location where a person would have a reasonable expectation of privacy (e.g., residence, yard, enclosure). Operators and observers shall take reasonable precautions to avoid inadvertently recording or transmitting images of areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy. Reasonable precautions can include, for example, deactivating or turning imaging devices away from such areas or persons during UAS operations.

604.4 PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Chief of Police will appoint a program coordinator who will be responsible for the management of the UAS program. The program coordinator will ensure that policies and procedures conform to current laws, regulations and best practices and will have the following additional responsibilities:

- Coordinating the FAA Certificate of Waiver or Authorization (COA) application process and ensuring that the COA is current.
- Ensuring that all authorized operators and required observers have completed all required FAA and department-approved training in the operation, applicable laws, policies and procedures regarding use of the UAS.
- Developing uniform protocol for submission and evaluation of requests to deploy a UAS, including urgent requests made during ongoing or emerging incidents. Deployment of a UAS shall require written authorization of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee, depending on the type of mission.

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- Developing protocol for conducting criminal investigations involving a UAS, including documentation of time spent monitoring a subject.
- Implementing a system for public notification of UAS deployment.
- Developing an operational protocol governing the deployment and operation of a UAS including, but not limited to, safety oversight, use of visual observers, establishment of lost link procedures and secure communication with air traffic control facilities.
- Developing a protocol for fully documenting all missions.
- Developing a UAS inspection, maintenance and record-keeping protocol to ensure continuing airworthiness of a UAS, up to and including its overhaul or life limits.
- Developing protocols to ensure that all data intended to be used as evidence are accessed, maintained, stored and retrieved in a manner that ensures its integrity as evidence, including strict adherence to chain of custody requirements. Electronic trails, including encryption, authenticity certificates and date and time stamping, shall be used as appropriate to preserve individual rights and to ensure the authenticity and maintenance of a secure evidentiary chain of custody.
- Developing protocols that ensure retention and purge periods are maintained in accordance with established records retention schedules.
- Facilitating law enforcement access to images and data captured by the UAS.
- Recommending program enhancements, particularly regarding safety and information security.
- Ensuring that established protocols are followed by monitoring and providing periodic reports on the program to the Chief of Police.

604.5 USE OF UAS

Only authorized operators who have completed the required training shall be permitted to operate the UAS.

Use of vision enhancement technology (e.g., thermal and other imaging equipment not generally available to the public) is permissible in viewing areas only where there is no protectable privacy interest or when in compliance with a search warrant or court order. In all other instances, legal counsel should be consulted.

UAS operations should only be conducted during daylight hours and a UAS should not be flown over populated areas without FAA approval.

604.6 PROHIBITED USE

The UAS video surveillance equipment shall not be used:

- To conduct random surveillance activities.
- To target a person based solely on actual or perceived characteristics, such as race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, economic status, age, cultural group, or disability.

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- To harass, intimidate, or discriminate against any individual or group.
- To conduct personal business of any type.

The UAS shall not be weaponized.

604.7 RETENTION OF UAS DATA

Data collected by the UAS shall be retained as provided in the established records retention schedule.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Planning Session for CDBG Substantial Amendment to the 2020 Consolidated Plan, 2020/2021 Action Plan and 2021/2022 Action Plan for use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and Program Income

SOURCE: Community Development

COMMENT: As an entitlement grantee, the City of Porterville (City) receives federal formula Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grants through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This entitlement provides the City with an annual direct grant, to provide decent affordable housing, a suitable living environment and to expand economic opportunities, primarily for low to moderate income (LMI) persons/households.

In 2001, the City received a federal Section 108 Loan to construct the Heritage Center. The City is currently in negotiations for the Sale of the Heritage Center as noticed on the Public Notice dated August 8, 2020 (Attachment 1). The sale of the Heritage Center is expected to generate approximately \$828,000 in CDBG Program Income (PI) after the Section 108 Loan that was used for the development of that site is paid off, based on the most recent appraised value of \$1,650,000. Additionally, it will make available future annual entitlement previously planned to be used for the repayment of the Section 108 Loan principal and interest, through FY 2023. The Section 108 payment for the 2021/2022 program year will be \$290,624. The PI combined with the Section 108 payment funds create a situation where approximately \$1,118,624 of CDBG funds are available for a project. The funds need to continue to be used on programs that meet the CDBG National Objectives and in approved census tracts which include 38.02, 41.01, 41.02 and 39.01 for the 2021/2022 program year to remain compliant with CDBG regulations.

In addition to the regulations on what the funds can be used for, the City is also required to exercise "Timely Performance" in the expenditure of funds. In accordance with the CDBG regulations at 24 CFR 570.902, the City must have a balance no greater than one and one-half (1.5) times its annual grant remaining in the Line of Credit (LOC), sixty (60) days prior to the end of the program year.

In order to meet this performance measure, the City is required to expend and draw funds from its LOC, within the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) prior to April 30th of each year so this can be measured by HUD by May 2nd of each year. The PI and the Entitlement previously allocated for repayment of the section 108 Loan must be expended and drawn in the IDIS

system by April 30th, 2022 to meet this performance measure for the FY 2021/2022.

In accordance with the current Citizen Participation Plan approved by HUD, the City must complete a substantial amendment when more than twenty-five percent (25%) of its annual allocation is changed or a new program is added. The expected PI triggers this requirement and also triggers citizen participation and outreach.

In order to use the expected PI funds generated from the sale of the Heritage Center and the funds planned for the repayment of the Section 108 Loan, the 2021/22 Action Plan and/or 2020 Consolidated Plan previously approved by the City Council at its meeting on April 21, 2020, needs to be amended. Community outreach for the Substantial Amendment to the 2020 Consolidated Plan Community Meeting and a First Public Hearing and Citizen's Advisory and Housing Opportunity Committee Meeting took place in February 2021. Comments were received in support for the use of the proceeds of the sale of the Heritage Center to be reinvested in youth programs. Staff is seeking direction on the substantial amendment from the Council to assist in the development of the substantial amendment that will be considered by the Council at its meeting on April 20, 2021 during a Public Hearing.

In response to public comment received for the use of PI funds, to be used for the youth in the community, staff researched projects that could be executed in the given timeframe and meet a national objective required by HUD. There was interest in expanding opportunities for extracurricular activities for youth; soccer fields were among the mentioned needs. Staff explored available City-owned properties that might be feasible for this project. The City owns approximately 11.6 acres of undeveloped property in an eligible census tract, to the north of the Heritage Center that was previously planned for athletic fields which can be utilized for the development of lighted arena soccer and multi-use fields.

The estimated cost of \$1,500,000 would include four artificial turf lighted arena soccer fields (50'x80' each), and one all-weather surface multi-use court (60'x100') with a shade cover. One concept that is being explored, is for the multi-use court is to be reserved for the Youth Center students, after school during normal Youth Center hours of operation.

Some of the site amenities would include a restroom/concession/storage building, spectator viewing and scoreboards. An estimated timeline for this turnkey project would be:

Design: July-August
Site preparation: August-September
Production: August-October
Shipping & delivery: November
Installation: December
Wellness check: February

The project could be turned into a multi-phase project spanning over several years, by potentially adding future CDBG entitlement funds and other funding sources that can be leveraged, such as Measure R funds. Some examples of future site amenities that could be added annually with those funds are: bike/pedestrian trail/tract around the perimeter to the area, additional arenas, a team warm-up area and a fitness challenge course.

Additionally, staff is seeking Council direction on the reallocation of funds from the 2020/2021 Youth Center Program in the amount of \$110,875.00, which need to be expended by June 30, 2021. Due to Governor Executive Order N-29-20, school closures and social distancing measures in response to the coronavirus pandemic prevented this activity from taking place. The 2020/21 Action Plan included contingency language, which directs unexpended funds in this category at the end of the term to be added to the First Time Homebuyer Programs. However, this amount is larger than typical remaining funds that can be moved with a contingency clause, therefore, staff included this item in the substantial amendment to give the community and Council an opportunity to provide input. Due to the limited time remaining to expend the funds, staff recommends that the funds be reallocated to a revolving account such as business assistance, including programs funded with CDBG-CV funds or First Time Home Buyer programs.

Staff is seeking Council's direction on the use of funds created by the sale of the Heritage Center, as well as the reallocation of funds previously allocated for Youth Center operations. Council's direction during this public meeting will guide staff in preparing the draft Action Plan and Consolidated Plan amendments, by determining which eligible projects, programs and activities will best serve the needs of the community. Based on Council's direction and other outreach efforts mentioned previously, staff will prepare the substantial amendment and on March 19, 2020 open a 30-day public review and comment period for a Public Hearing to take place on April 20, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council:

1. Provide direction on the use of CDBG Program Income derived from the Sale of the Heritage Center and Repayment of the Section 108 Loan secured by that property;
2. Provide input on eligible high priority needs for the use of 2021/2022 CDBG funds, including the discretionary funding resulting from the repayment of the Section 108 Loan; and
3. Provide input and direction on the reallocation of the 2020/2021 Youth Center Program funds to the Homebuyer programs.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Notice of Sale of Heritage Center
2. Proposed 2021-2022 Action Plan Budget

3. Potential Discretionary Funds for Substantial Amendment
4. CDBG Eligible Tracts Map
5. Locator Map of Proposed Project Area
6. Diagram of Proposed Project

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

Jason Ridenour, Interim Community Development Director

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager

*In the Superior Court of the State of California
In and for the County of Tulare*

PUBLIC NOTICE

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ("CDBG") PROGRAM
PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE AND SALE OF REAL PROPERTY SECURED BY SECTION 108 LOAN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Porterville is proposing to change the use of with an intent to sell certain real property, which was acquired with federal Section 108 (CDBG) funds, which served the national objective of benefit to persons of low and moderate income under the Public Improvements and Facilities Activity.

The real property ("Property") is known as the Heritage Center and is located at 256 E Orange Ave, Porterville CA 93257. APN 261-150-056 & Parking Lot APN 261-150-057. The property includes a 10,045-square-foot community center facility on a 3.79-acre site along with an adjacent 1.05-acre parcel that is improved as a surface parking lot for use by the neighboring Santa Fe Elementary School. The City with PUSD utilized Section 108 Loan CDBG funds to acquire the property.

This community center was built in collaboration with and adjacent to the PUSD construction of the Santa Fe Elementary School. The Heritage Center was developed with a Section 108 loan. Due to the immensely successful dual immersion program, PUSD has requested to purchase the Heritage Center to expand and meet the growing needs of the program. The City has been in contact with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) San Francisco office since receiving the request from PUSD to purchase the facility.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the Section 108 Loan were used in the development of the Heritage Center and therefore, activities on the property must continue to meet a National Objective. It has been determined that a National Objective of Low Moderate Area Benefit could be met if the school district were to become the new owner. At this time, the City of Porterville, in communication with HUD to sell the Heritage Center, fulfill the City's Section 108 Loan obligations and determine the requirements for surplus funds from the sale, if any.

A substantial amendment to the Five year CDBG consolidated plan may be needed in the future to reallocate the CDBG Entitlement funds that are obligated to the repayment of the Section 108 loan and to allocate the surplus funds as a result of the sale.

Public comments on the proposed change in use will be accepted by the City from August 8, 2020 through September 8, 2020. In an effort to adhere to the social distancing mandates, comments will be accepted via email to housing@ci.porterville.ca.us. Questions regarding this matter may also be directed to Jason Ridenour at (559) 782-7460.

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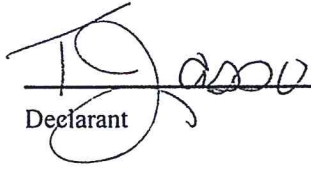
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County of Tulare

Declarant says:

That at all times herein mentioned Declarant is and was a resident of said County of Tulare, over the age of twenty-one years; not a party to nor interested in the within matter; that Declarant is now and was at all times herein mentioned the Principal Clerk of the Porterville Recorder, a daily newspaper, which said newspaper was adjudged a newspaper of general circulation on October 15, 1951, by Superior Court Order No. 42369 as entered in Book 57 Page 384 of said Court; and that said newspaper is printed and published every day except Sunday published LEGAL NOTICE in said newspaper, Aug. 8, 2020 and that such publication was made in the regular issues of said paper (and not in any supplemental edition or extra thereof). I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed Aug. 8, 2020 at Porterville, California.


Declarant

PROPOSED CDBG BUDGET 2021/2022 ACTION PLAN

PROGRAM	2021/22 Entitlement Allocation \$831,294	Anticipated Program Income 2021/22	Expected carry over (Bal as of Feb 2021)	Estimated Total Program Funds Available for 2021/2022
Administration	\$166,000	\$9,400	\$0	\$175,400
City -Operated Youth Center* includes 15% of total PI received prior year 20/21	\$96,816	\$0	\$0	\$96,816
Case Mgmt for PSH-FSTC Part of 15% Public Service	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$15,000
LINC Services-KTHA Part of 15% Public Service	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$5,000
First Time Low Income Homebuyer	\$0	\$12,000	\$75,000	\$87,000
Homebuyer Education Program Part of 15% Public Service	\$1,338	\$0	\$0	\$1,338
Owner Occupied Housing Rehab	\$0	\$15,000	\$209,005	\$224,005
Parks Improvement Program	\$111,516	\$0	\$0	\$111,516
New/Existing Activity (Arena Soccer?)	\$290,624	\$0	\$0	\$290,624
Curb, gutter, sidewalk	\$130,000	\$0	\$0	\$130,000
Business Assistance Program (Micro Enterprise, SBA & LBA)	\$0	\$20,000	\$328,569	\$348,569
Fair Housing Education Part of 15% Public Service	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$15,000
Total	\$816,294	\$56,400	\$612,574	\$1,500,268

2020 Substantial Amendment & Discretionary Funding

Available Funds for Proposed Project	FY 20/21	FY 21/22	Total
<i>Must be spent by this date to meet "Timely Performance":</i>	6/30/2021	4/30/2022	
PI from Sale of Heritage Center	\$ 828,000		
CDBG Entitlement for Section 108 Loan Repayment	\$ -	\$ 290,624	
Sub-Total	\$ 828,000	\$ 290,624	\$ 1,118,624

Possible Discretionary Funding in Future Years		FY 21/22	Total
Neighborhood Improvement (Parks)	\$ -	\$ 100,000	
Neighborhood Improvement (Curb Gutter Sidewalk)	\$ -	\$ 130,000	
Sub-Total		\$ 230,000	\$ 230,000

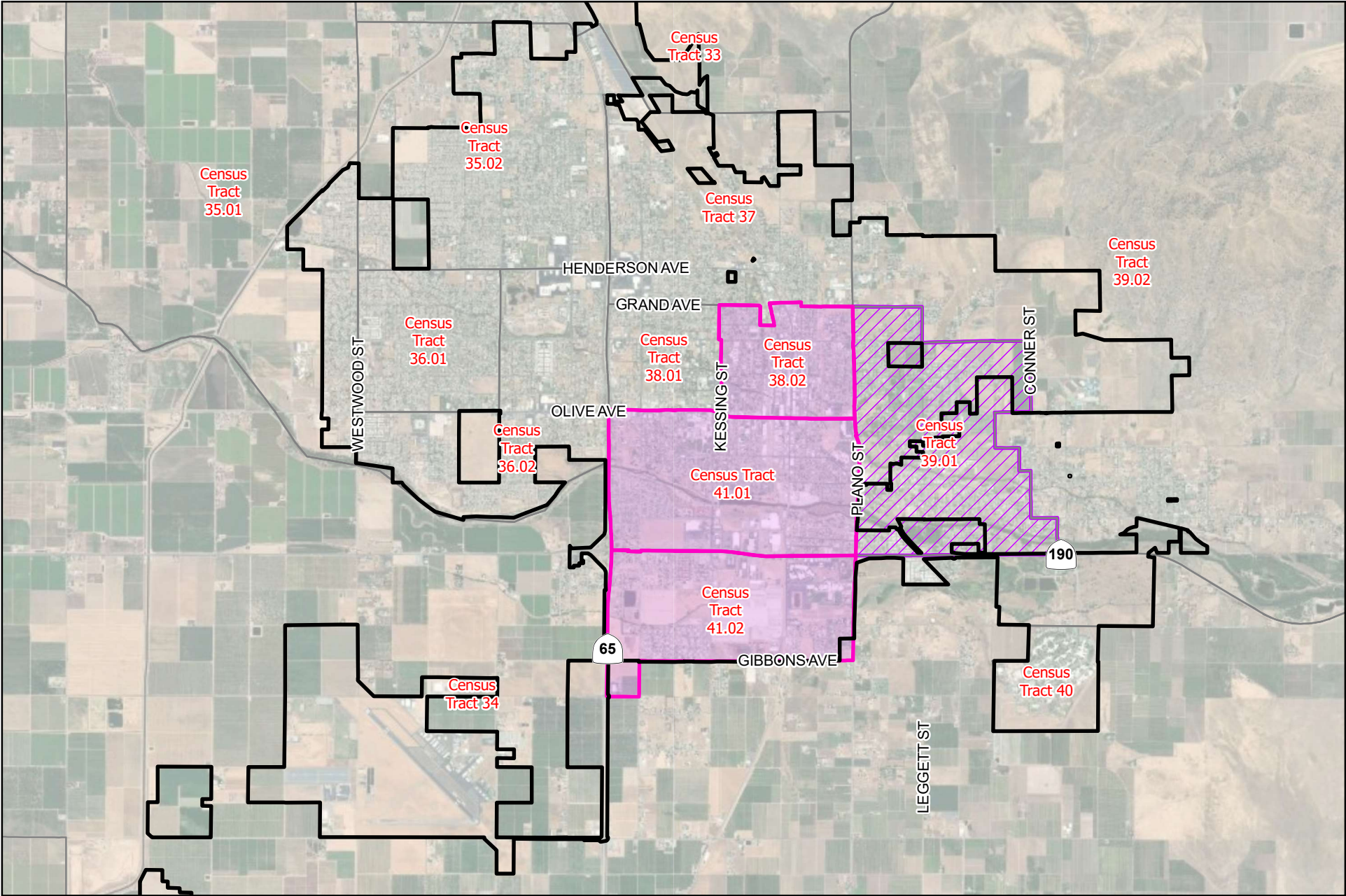
Total Possible Future Discretionary Funds	\$828,000	\$ 811,249	\$ 1,348,624
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Public Service (<i>Youth Center Salaries</i>)	\$110,000	\$ 98,154	\$ 208,154
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"Timely performance" A CDBG Entitlement grantee, in accordance with the CDBG regulations at 24 CFR 570.902, must have a balance no greater than one and one-half (1.5) times its annual grant remaining in the Line of Credit, 60 days prior to the end of the program year. HUD has a longstanding policy of reducing the next year's grant allocation of a grantee that continues to be untimely. *May 2nd is the test each year for the City of Porterville, so all large expenditures must be made and drawn in the IDIS system prior to May 2nd to meet this performance measure.*

Assumptions: 1. \$831,294 continues to be the allocation for future fiscal years. 2. Youth Center remains closed due to covid for FY 21/22

Eligible Tracts Map



1 in = 5,000 feet

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- Eligible for 2021
- Eligible Tracts
- City Limits
- Census Tracts



Locator Map



**City Property
Heritage Center Area**

 Project Location

1 in = 400 feet



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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Status and Review of Proclamation of Local Emergency: COVID-19

SOURCE: City Manager's Office

COMMENT: At its meeting of March 17, 2020, the City Council took action to approve a Resolution of Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), which staff also initiated a soft-opening of its Emergency Operations Center (EOC) on Friday, March 20, 2020. At its meeting on February 16, 2021, the Council reviewed the status of existence of local emergency, and acted to continue its Resolution of Proclamation.

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency, President Trump issued a Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency on March 13, 2020, and the Tulare County Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution of Proclamations of Local Emergencies on March 17, 2020. The Tule River Tribal Council also adopted a Resolution of Declaration of State of Emergency on March 13, 2020. Subsequent to his Proclamation at the time of this report, Governor Newsom has issued fifty-seven (57) Executive Orders in support of the State addressing and mitigating COVID-19 impacts, several of which are pertinent to the City.

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20, issued on March 12, 2020, provided restrictions on mass gatherings of no more than 250, as well as provided accommodations to the Brown Act to encourage remote participation and social distancing. At its meeting of March 17, 2020, the Council gave direction of local gatherings not to exceed twenty-five (25), which staff responded to complaints and incidents accordingly. Both President Trump and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) had recommended mass gatherings not exceed ten (10), which with Easter approaching on Sunday, April 12, 2020, the Council acted at its meeting on April 7, 2020, to limit local gatherings to no more than ten (10) individuals, allowing also for 6' social distancing. On October 9, 2020, apparently in consideration of the approaching holidays (e.g. Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc.), the State issued guidance to allow up to three households to gather outdoors, including in a public park or outdoor space, allowing for social distancing, hand hygiene and wearing of face coverings unless eating or drinking, and not to exceed two hours in duration. On December 3, 2020, in response to rapidly increasing positive cases and hospitalizations (especially requiring ICU care), the State issued new stay home Orders that prohibited all gatherings with members of other households. On January 25, 2021, the State ended its stay home Orders, removing the prohibited gathering restriction.

The County and most cities across the county have either closed or instituted soft-closings of its parks, including the closing of arbors, playgrounds and restrooms. At its meeting of April 7, 2020, the Council acted to soft-close City parks, including arbors, playgrounds, skatepark and sports courts (keeping restrooms open for hygiene purposes) and that gatherings of any size not occur. Consistent with the State and County's modified Orders regarding outdoor recreation and operating restrictions, at its meeting of May 5, 2020, the Council acted to reopen the City's golf course (including requiring participants to wear face coverings), OHV Park and tennis courts. On June 5, 2020, the State announced guidelines for the opening of outdoor recreation, including public swimming pools and aquatic venues, beginning June 12, 2020. At its meeting on June 16, 2020, the Council provided approval for the opening of the Murry Park swimming pool and Fallen Heroes Park splash pad consistent with the State's guidelines and necessary precautions and preparations. With continued limitations on team-oriented recreation activities, staff prepared new individual outdoor recreation opportunities for the community, such as cross-country running. On June 5, 2020, the State also provided guidance on the opening of day camps beginning June 12, 2020, which staff also prepared for opening consistent with the State's guidelines and necessary precautions and preparations, and subsequently was completed on July 31, 2020. On September 28, 2020, the State allowed public playgrounds to reopen with guidance and restrictions, which at its meeting on October 6, 2020, the Council acted to keep playgrounds closed until further action. In its regional stay at home order issued on December 3, 2020, the State ordered the closing of all indoor and outdoor playgrounds, but did encourage residents to experience outdoor recreation without gathering with anyone outside their immediate household. On December 9, 2020, the State changed its guidance on outdoor playgrounds, allowing to remain open to facilitate physically distanced personal health and wellness through outdoor exercise. At its meeting on February 2, 2021, the Council acted to reopen the City's public playgrounds and skatepark in accordance with State guidance and restrictions. On February 19, 2021, the State released new guidance for both indoor and outdoor youth and recreational adult sports, effective February 26, 2021.

Due to the pandemic and to avoid mass gatherings, the community has suffered from the cancellation in the prior calendar year of the Iris Festival, Cinco de Mayo Parade, Porterville Fair, Military Banner Ceremony, KJUG Summer Concert Series, Freedom Fest, Pioneer Days, Veterans Day Parade, Christmas Tree-Lighting Ceremony and the Children's Christmas Parade (December), which further cancellations in the current calendar year may likely occur.

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-28-20, issued on March 16, 2020, strongly advised that both private and public utilities not shutoff utilities or charge late fees for lack of payment until May 31, 2020, and directed the California Public Utilities Commission to review both private and public utilities for conformance. At its meeting on March 17, 2020, the Council acted to suspend the shutoff of utilities and the charging of late fees for lack of payment until at least its meeting of April 21, 2020 for review. Governor

Newsom issued Executive Order N-42-20 on April 2, 2020, which mandated that private and public water utilities not shutoff service due to non-payment, retroactive to March 4, 2020 - the Order did not reference the charging of late fees. Given the suspension of shutoff and charging of late fees, the City initially experienced a dramatic increase in accounts not making payment since the Council's action, which staff reinforced the message to customers that regular payments must still be made and has led to now generally usual payment, although has begun to accumulate. Since the Council's action on March 17, 2020 and as of January 31, 2020, there was \$1,160,448 in unpaid City utility accounts (water: \$519,525; sewer: \$337,317; and refuse: \$303,605), with the corresponding total loss in late fees of \$304,686 - more than double the City's experience prior to the Governor's Executive Order. At its meeting on April 21, 2020, the Council acted to continue the moratorium of utility turnoff for non-payment consistent with the Executive Order, and to continue to not charge late fees until further action by the Council.

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-32-20, issued on March 18, 2020, appropriated \$150 million in emergency homeless funding, of which \$284,403 was allocated to Tulare County between \$147,734 to the Continuum of Care (CoC) and \$136,669 to the County. The CoC initially indicated its appropriation to the City of approximately \$40,000 based upon recent homeless population counts, which City staff recommended be the funding source for the daily homeless lunch program the City initiated on March 27, 2020, with the closure of the local non-profit (Helping Hands of Porterville Inc.) due to pandemic concerns earlier that same week. Staff estimated that the \$40,000 would allow the daily lunch program to continue through the month of April 2020. Subsequently, the CoC indicated it was attempting to match its funding allocation with the County's as the required 25% match to larger federal FEMA funding of approximately \$1.2 million. The County has indicated its allocation will be utilized in assisting with providing shelter for homeless individuals that are identified high-risk or in need of quarantine due to COVID-19 (Project Roomkey), which the County is working with two local hotels in the leasing of approximately thirty (30) rooms. At the time of this report, the County reports there are currently ninety-five (95) total hotel rooms available to homeless individuals participating in the Project Roomkey program across the county, with seventy (70) of the rooms occupied. The County also reports that a Street Medicine event occurred in Porterville on June 29, 2020, during which twelve (12) individuals were tested for COVID-19 and all were negative. On July 1, 2020, Helping Hands of Porterville resumed its daily homeless lunch program, thus relieving the City and its staff of the deliver of this program. However, Helping Hands recently decided to close its program in October 2020 due to limited donations and participation.

The City's contract operator of the planned navigation center, Turning Point of Central California, had been issued building permits and was making necessary improvements for anticipated opening in the month of July, with the installation of the fire monitoring and suppression system the final improvement needed to be completed. Turning Point had previously indicated that due to the current pandemic, occupancy of the navigation center when opened would be at half-

capacity to allow adequate physical distancing given group housing, but now believes the center can open with two-thirds capacity and meet State guidelines for healthy and safe operations. Given the delay in the installation of the fire monitoring and suppression system, at its meeting on August 4, 2020, the Council gave staff direction to consider opening the navigation center restricted to providing services without housing, which Turning Point opened and began offering daily services only on August 18, 2020. With the final completion of the requisite fire suppression and monitoring system, Turning Point began offering emergency shelter and transitional housing on November 15, 2020.

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-33-20, issued on March 19, 2020, ordered that state residents shelter-at-home, and that only identified essential businesses remain open and associated workforce. Much confusion reverberated throughout the state in clarifying essential businesses, which staff both responded to complaints and acted proactively in following the State's guidelines of essential businesses (attached). To assist in this ever-changing subject, at its meeting on April 21, 2020, the Council acted to appoint Vice Mayor Reyes and Council Member Gurrola to form an Ad Hoc Committee to coordinate with the City Attorney and City Manager in the application of the State and County guidelines in regard to essential and non-essential businesses. The Committee has met intermittently in review of local complaints and compliance with modified State and County Orders. At its meeting on December 15, 2020, the Council acted to appoint Council Member Carrillo to replace former Council Member Gurrola on the Committee.

On Tuesday, April 28, 2020, Governor Newsom announced his 4 Stage plan for reopening the California economy and gradual modification of his stay-at-home Order, which his presentation is enclosed. The Governor indicated that moving from current Stage 1 to State 2 would likely occur in several weeks and allow non-essential "low-risk" retail to reopen with requisite 6' social distancing. The Governor indicated "high-risk" personal services would likely be allowed later during the Summer. On May 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-60-20, allowing the reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces in Stage 2 beginning May 8, 2020, including manufacturing, retailers (pick-up and delivery) and warehouses. The Order also allowed Counties to proceed more quickly through Stage 2 (Variation Attestation) given certain State-determined public health metrics were met, including: 1) sustained reduction or stability in new cases for fourteen (14) days; 2) adequate diagnostic testing capacity and test results, including the ability to test all individuals with COVID-19 symptoms, same-day testing widely available for hospitalized patients, healthcare workers and workers in essential roles, close contacts for confirmed cases, and outpatients with symptoms; 3) public health department's capacity to rapidly interview new cases, identify close contacts, and ensure isolation and quarantine are effective; and 4) health care system capacity to respond to potential surges.

At its meeting on May 12, 2020, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors considered its draft plan for compliance with the Executive Order (attached). Of note, the Tulare County Public Health Officer issued a health advisory on

May 7, 2020, that county residents should wear face coverings when in public (attached). At its meeting on May 19, 2020, the Board of Supervisors acted to modify its draft plan for reopening, including advancing immediately through the State's Stage 3, rescinding the County's Public Health Officer's Order, halting all local civil enforcement of stay-at-home Orders, directing County guidance for Stage 3 businesses, and direct County efforts from meeting State metrics to supporting problem areas and populations including the elderly and health compromised individuals, skilled nursing facilities, hospitals, and businesses or agencies with reported outbreaks. On May 26, 2020, the County submitted its Variance Attestation to the State, which was approved and posted by the State on May 27, 2020, allowing the county to proceed through the State's Stage 2.

On May 25, 2020, the State announced that places of worship (25% capacity) and in-store retail were allowed to proceed immediately statewide, and on May 26, 2020, the Governor announced that barber and hair salons could reopen immediately in counties with approved Variance Attestations, which as previously stated Tulare County's was approved by the State on May 27th. On June 5, 2020, the State announced that additional previous Stage 3 activities would be allowed to reopen with provided guidance effective June 12, 2020, including bars and wineries, campgrounds and RV parks, family entertainment centers (i.e. bowling alleys and movie theaters), fitness facilities, and museums/galleries/zoos/aquariums.

Due to increasing positive cases across the state, on June 18, 2020, the State issued guidance that all individuals wear face coverings when in public (attached). At its meeting on July 7, 2020, the Council acted to approve and Order under its Proclamation of Local Emergency authorizing the City to enforce the State's mandatory face covering requirements through the City's administrative citation regulations and aggressive education efforts, and directed City staff to prepare an emergency Ordinance requiring face coverings consistent with the State requirements, which was scheduled for Public Hearing and was approved by the Council at its meeting of July 21, 2020. In enforcement of the emergency Ordinance since adoption by Council, the Fire Department's Code Enforcement Division has ten (10) documented business-oriented incidents, and the Police Department has sixty-six (66) documented incidents involving individuals.

Due to increasing positive cases, testing positivity and COVID-19 hospitalizations, the State placed Tulare County on its monitoring list program for targeted engagement and potentially reinstituting community measures, which on June 28, 2020, the State directed all bars in Tulare County be closed again immediately by local health officer order. On July 1, 2020, the State further directed the closing of indoor activities for at least the succeeding three weeks, including restaurants, bowling alleys, movie theaters, card rooms, museums, wineries and zoos. On Monday, July 14, 2020, the State directed the immediate closure of all bars in California and cease in-restaurant dining, as well as the immediate closure of indoor activities or industries including barbershops, fitness centers, hair salons, malls, offices for non-essential sectors,

personal care services (e.g. esthetic salons, nails salons, tattoo parlors), protests and places of worship for counties on the State's monitoring list (including Tulare County), unless the activity or industry can be modified to operate indoors or by pick-up. The State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology initially declared that barbershops and esthetic, hair and nails salons are required to operate indoors and may not operate outdoors and therefore must be closed, however, the State Board subsequently determined to allow these businesses to be open with modifications to operate outdoors.

On August 28, 2020, Governor Newsom announced that the State was implementing a new County Monitoring List system known as the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, incorporating standardized four tiers dependent upon a county's daily new cases per 100,000 population and testing positivity rates and the corresponding effect on economic sectors guidelines for operation. Tulare County is currently in the Purple (Widespread) tier given its daily positive case rate per 100,000 population exceeds seven (18.4 at the time of this report), however, the positivity rate meets the Red (Substantial) tier requirement of less than eight percent (7.0% at the time of this report). At the time of this report, there are forty-seven (47) counties in the Purple (Widespread) tier, nine counties in the Red (Substantial) tier and two counties in the Orange (Moderate) tier, with no counties in the Yellow (Minimal) tier. Under the new system, the State allowed barber and hair salons to reopen indoor operations on August 31, 2020, and allowed nail salons to reopen indoor operations on September 22, 2020, if permitted by local county public health officials. The State further allowed expanded personal care services to reopen indoor operations on October 20, 2020, including esthetic, skin care, electrology, body art professionals, tattoo parlors, piercing shops and massage therapy (in non-healthcare settings).

On September 30, 2020, the State announced a new health equity metric to be included in the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, requiring that test positivity rates in disadvantaged communities that comprise the lowest quartile of a county's Healthy Places Index census tracts do not significantly lag behind overall county test positivity rates. In order to advance to the next less restrictive tier (e.g. Purple-widespread to Red-substantial), a county will need to meet an equity metric and/or demonstrate targeted investments to eliminate disparities in levels of transmission. According to Tulare County's report as of October 13, 2020, the lowest quartile does not include Porterville areas exceeding 8% positivity, with the census tracts of Cutler/Yettum (24.4%), Pixley/Teviston (18.9%), Earlimart (15.6%), Alpaugh/Allensworth/Richgrove (15.4%), South-Central Tulare (13.3%), Tipton/Woodville (12.5%), West-Central Tulare (11.8%) and Orosi (8.9%) being of greatest concern. As referenced by a Member of Council, at its meeting on October 6, 2020, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution, demanding clarity, consistency, and continuity from Governor Newsom regarding COVID-19 directives to counties.

On November 19, 2020, due to the observed significant rise in positive cases, the State announced a "Limited Stay At Home Order" that in all counties in the Purple (Widespread) tier under the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy, requiring that all non-essential business and public activities cease to occur

between 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM, effective November 21, 2020 through December 21, 2020 or as may be extended. On January 25, 2021, the State removed this Order effective immediately.

On December 3, 2020, due to the continued significant rise in positive cases and hospitalizations (especially ICU care), the State issued a "Regional Stay At Home Order" with the state separated into five regions by county and centered around maintaining a minimum of fifteen percent (15%) regional hospital ICU capacity, with Tulare County joining eleven (11) other counties in the "San Joaquin Valley" region. The San Joaquin Valley region experienced 14.1% ICU capacity on December 5th and 6.6% capacity on December 6th, causing the new regional order to go into effect in the San Joaquin Valley region at 11:59 P.M. on December 6th. At the time of this report, the San Joaquin Valley region has 16.8% ICU capacity. The regional order modified business operations, including: 1) limit indoor retail to no more than twenty percent (20%) capacity; 2) limit restaurants to delivery/pick-up/take-out only; 3) limit worship and political expression to outdoor only; 4) limit outdoor recreation to no drink or food sales; 5) limit essential office work only when remote work is not possible; and 6) limit hotels and lodging to only supporting critical infrastructure. The regional order closes business operations, including: 1) barber and hair salons; 2) personal care services (esthetician, massage, nail and tattoo); and 3) museums. On January 25, 2021, the State removed this Order, returning to the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy and the county tiers system.

The new State Blueprint also provided a waiver process to allow TK-6th Grade students to receive in-person instruction with prior County and State approval, which locally St. Anne's School received such approval and began instruction on September 14, 2020. Also locally, Hope Elementary School received waiver approval and began in-person instruction on September 28, 2020, and Porterville Unified School District received waiver approval and began in-person instruction on December 1, 2020. Burton, Pleasant View Elementary and Rockford Elementary have each recently received both County and State waiver approval, but have not yet begun in-person instruction.

At its meeting on August 4, 2020, the Council considered and gave direction to staff evaluate opportunities for local restaurants to operate outdoors in the City's public right-of-way. At its meeting on August 18, 2020, given City liability considerations, the Council gave direction to work with local restaurants individually through an application and guidelines developed in coordination with the Council's Ad Hoc Committee. On August 24, 2020, the Council Ad Hoc Committee met with staff to review draft guidelines for the opening of outdoor dining by restaurants in public right-of-way, which the final guidelines are provided as an attachment. Consistent with the guidelines and the proposed City's support for protecting restaurant patrons dining in the public right-of-way, at its meeting on September 1, 2020, the Council authorized an appropriation of \$100,000 from the City's Emergency/Catastrophic Reserve Fund for the purchase of necessary traffic and sidewalk barriers and other complimentary amenities, with any expenditure of funds to be documented for potential reimbursement should future federal and/or state funding be made available to

mitigate COVID-19 activities. Nine entities had been approved to provide outdoor dining, including the Elks Lodge #1342, New China Restaurant, El Jacalito Taqueria, Pho Sho Fusion House, Pizza Factory, El Maguey Mexican Restaurant, Mariscos El-30, RJ's Cafe & Bakery, El Nuevo Mexicali II, Habi Sushi, Black Bear Diner and Birria Y Pollos El Guero, and several more were in the application process prior to outdoor dining being prohibited by the State's regional stay at home orders on December 3, 2020. On January 25, 2021, the State removed the regional stay at home Order, again allowing outdoor dining and the consideration of the outdoor dining permits that were in process. The Council's initial approval of the outdoor dining permit process was effective through January 31, 2021, which at its meeting on February 2, 2021, the Council acted to extend its outdoor dining permit process until June 30, 2021. Subsequently, an additional six entities have been approved to provide outdoor dining, including Birria y Pupusas Las Favoritas, Denny's, El Nuevo Mexicali, El Tapatio, Landing 13 and The Mud House.

Due to increasing virus spread in the Central Valley resulting in increased cases and hospitalizations, on July 27, 2020, the Governor announced the appropriation of \$52 million in support of the counties of Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Tulare in the implementation of three Unified Support Teams to provide hands-on technical assistance in support of testing, contact tracing, isolation and quarantine efforts. On August 12 and 13, 2020, the State's Unified Support Team met with local representatives in developing strategies reducing community spread in Tulare County.

Most of the City's workforce has been deemed essential under the State's guidelines, which the City has directed its limited non-essential workers to remain at home and available for assignment if necessary, and has implemented a rotation of its essential workforce as much as possible to reduce employees public exposure. Employees required to be at work during the shelter-at-home Order are accrued special leave for later utilization and/or payment, as well as employees that are working from home. Given the State's reopening guidelines, all City employees returned to work effective June 1, 2020, and the special leave program was discontinued effective May 31, 2020. Compounding the challenge for the City's workforce was the temporary closure of local non-profit contractor Promoting Self Worth (PSW) due to its workforce being considered highly vulnerable to COVID-19, thus necessitating City staff to address the contracted essential services of graffiti removal and the care for a significant number of Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Districts (LMD). PSW returned to performing its contracted services with the City beginning the week of May 11, 2020.

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-37-20, issued on March 27, 2020, established a moratorium on eviction of tenants in good standing as of the date of the Order through May 31, 2020, which had been an issue of discussion by the Council at its meeting on March 17, 2020. On May 29, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-66-20, extending the eviction moratorium through July 28, 2020. On June 30, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-71-20, extending the eviction moratorium through September 30, 2020. On

August 31, 2020, Governor Newsom signed legislation to extend protections for tenants from eviction from COVID-19-related back rent through February 1, 2021, as well as extended anti-foreclosure protections in the Homeowner Bill of Rights to small landlords, and on January 20, 2021, Governor Newsom signed legislation to extend the protections through June 30, 2021.

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-39-20, issued on March 30, 2020, provided broad waivers of certifications and licensing for healthcare providers and locations to expand the provision of medical care in meeting an expected patient surge. During his press conference announcing the Order, Governor Newsom mentioned that Porterville would play a role in meeting the expected patient surge, which staff has learned will involve the reactivation of a portion of the General Treatment Area of the Porterville Developmental Center (PDC), including caring for up to potentially 350 COVID-19 patients in four (4) categories: 1) patients too sick to recover at home, but do not need hospitalization; 2) patients who have been hospitalized and who are recovering and require less care; 3) skilled nursing facility patients who don't require acute care; and 4) developmentally-disabled group home patients. Preliminary construction improvements have been completed to prepare the facility's infrastructure, with no timeline yet provided for necessary medical improvements expected to begin. The City has repeatedly asked the State to keep it involved in its planning efforts, including any actions by Council that would be supportive of its operation. On May 8, 2020, the City received notice from the County that the State intended to immediately relocate approximately forty (40) foster youth from across the state with COVID-19 to PDC, however, on May 9, 2020, the County notified the City that the State had changed its plans and would not be relocating the youth to PDC, likely to ensure regional patient surge capacity. On July 2, 2020, the City received notification from the County that the State would activate PDC as a regional alternate site on Friday, July 3, 2020, treating low-acute COVID-19 patients transferred from impacted hospitals from across the Central Valley. On August 19, 2020, the State notified the County that State personnel were being assigned to support the large fires in northern California and now across the state, and that PDC would not be accepting any new patients until further notice. As of September 12, 2020, there were no patients being treated at PDC, with the State designating the "warm closure" of the facility that can be reactivated within seventy-two (72) hours if necessary. The State has indicated that due to rising hospitalizations, it anticipated that PDC would be reopened as a regional alternate site, which was activated on December 15, 2020, and at the time of this report is currently treating two patients.

As part of the Governor's commitment to broader testing in rural and under-served areas of the state, the State established a contracted large-scale testing facility at the Veterans Memorial Building, beginning operations on Tuesday, May 5, 2020. Up to 130 tests are expected to be performed each day (Monday - Friday) for the next several months, which testing will be available to everyone by appointment. Given initial low utilization, City staff initiated a local messaging campaign for local residents to be tested, which precipitated improved community response beyond minimum State testing thresholds. City

staff had been notified by County staff that the Veterans Memorial administration has given notice to the State to terminate the testing at its facility effective July 31, 2020, so that it may again use the facility for other purposes, however, the State and the Veterans Memorial administration have agreed to continue testing for the next several months. In addition, the City has partnered with the County in providing free community walkup testing, occurring weekly on Tuesdays in the public parking lot south of the Centennial Plaza building.

The United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) provided emergency use authorization for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine on December 11, 2020, and the Moderna vaccine on December 18, 2020, which the State provided guidelines for the distribution of vaccines in three phases. Consistent with the State's identified Phase 1A/Tier 1 priority, Tulare County began vaccinations the week of December 14, 2020, with approximately 3,000 vaccines administered. At the time of this report, the County has received 63,225 vaccines and administered 37,985 vaccines to residents, in the process of transitioning through Tiers 1 and 3 in Phase 1A and Tier 1 in Phase 1B. The County has identified large-scale community vaccination sites, with locations in Porterville (Porterville College), Tulare (Ag Center) and Visalia (College of the Sequoias).

On March 27, 2020, President Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, a \$2 trillion economic recovery stimulus package. The financial recovery package includes: 1) \$604 billion for individuals/families, including \$300 billion in cash payments, \$260 billion in unemployment payments and \$44 billion in student loan assistance; 2) \$500 billion for large corporations; 3) \$377 billion for small business; 4) \$340 billion for state and local governments; 5) and \$180 billion for public services, including \$100 billion for hospitals. Within the state and local government provisions, a local government's (county or city) population must exceed 500,000 to receive direct federal recovery, which local governments with population less than 500,000 would only receive federal recovery through a state if the state was agreeable to local government distributions. On April 24, 2020, President Trump signed the Paycheck Protection Program and Healthcare Enhancement Act (H.R. 266), which provided approximately \$400 billion in additional business assistance (\$321 billion) and medical support and testing (\$75 billion). Staff is focusing its efforts now in engaging with local businesses and financial institutions to ensure the emergency resources are made available to promote local economic stability upon the completion of the current state of emergency.

On December 27, 2020, President Trump signed a \$900 billion COVID-19 relief bill into law, which included enhanced unemployment benefits, direct cash payments, small business assistance, childcare and education funding, rental assistance, vaccine and hospital funding, and payroll tax repayment, but did not include local government funding. Tulare County has reported that it would be receiving \$13 million in direct funding for rental and utility assistance, which it opted to dedicate to the State under SB 91 legislation for matching funds of \$14 million, with the total estimated \$27 million to be administered by

the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) through local non-profit organizations beginning by March 15, 2021.

Further federal economic recovery packages are currently in discussions by Congress, with the House of Representatives proposed Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions (HEROES) Act including \$3 trillion in federal assistance which includes \$1 trillion in state and local government funding assistance, and the Senate proposed Health, Economic Assistance, Liability protection and Schools (HEALS) Act including \$1 trillion in federal assistance which does not include any local government funding assistance. President Biden has indicated a significant economic recovery stimulus package, estimated at \$1.9 trillion, will be a major priority at the beginning of his administration.

At its meeting on May 5, 2020, the Council acted to amend its federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 5-Year Action Plan and program the \$490,000 CDBG-CV business assistance funds received, and took additional action at its meeting on June 2, 2020, which staff received final approval from the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Department on July 21, 2020, and begin providing local small business assistance. Although the City received approval of its CDBG-CV plan and program by HUD, on August 10, 2020, HUD released its final set of program rules, which staff had to review for consistency. On September 17, 2020, the City received notification from HUD of an additional \$393,000 in additional CDBG-CV funds, which City staff is still awaiting final approval from HUD on the use of funds. At its meeting of June 16, 2020, the Council took action to defer the collection of the biannual \$25 business license from July 2020 to January 2021 for local small businesses, which due to the State's current regional stay at home order, at its meeting on December 15, 2020, the Council acted to defer the biannual collection again until July 2021.

On December 3, 2020, given the new Regional Stay-at-Home Orders, the State announced that a new \$500 million in grants would be made available to assist small businesses impacted by the Orders, which the application period for the first round of funding opened on December 30, 2020, and closed on January 13, 2021. A second round of funding was committed to by the State, with the application period having opened on February 2 and closed on February 8, 2020.

Given challenges of access and gaps in available small business assistance, some cities have developed self-funded small business assistance programs. As an example, the City of Whittier recently developed a \$500,000 small business assistance grant program, with eligible businesses required to have a valid business license, be independently owned and operated, and have a physical commercial location (home based businesses are not eligible). The program provides \$500 to personal care services providers (i.e. hair, massage, nail, skincare, tattoo), \$2,000 to businesses that generate less than \$250,000 in gross taxable sales, and \$2,500 to businesses that generate more than \$250,000 in gross taxable sales. Small businesses are defined generating less than \$1.25

million in gross taxable sales.

From a City financial perspective, there is little doubt that the pandemic is having significant negative impact on local sales tax and transient occupancy tax, which will be further compounded by a likely reassessment of property tax values. Fortunately, the conservative stewardship of the City has allowed it to have General Fund reserves for Catastrophic Emergencies (\$2.8 million) and Budget Stabilization (\$4.3 million), which in addition to the recent passage of Measure I, allows the City to purposefully address the current crisis and plan for budgetary accommodations that the City's essential services to the community can continue without current modification. The League of California Cities has estimated cities in California will collectively lose \$7 billion in revenue through the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

As a component of its 2020-2021 budget adoption, the State appropriated \$500 million of CARES Act funding to cities that were not allocated CARES Act funding directly by the federal government, including \$275 million to cities with a population of less than 300,000, which the City will receive approximately \$740,000.

On Friday, January 8, 2021, Governor Newsom announced the State's proposed \$227 billion budget for the upcoming 2021-2022 fiscal year, allocating \$15 billion for COVID-19 recovery and support, focused on vaccinations, safe reopening of schools, support for small businesses, and funding for California residents, but did not include financial support for cities.

On Tuesday, February 23, 2021, Governor Newsom signed the Golden State Stimulus legislation, that provides \$9.6 billion in financial assistance to eligible individuals and families, and economic aid to qualifying small businesses and non-profits.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Receive the report of status and review of the Proclamation of Local Emergency;
2. Determine the need exists to continue said Declaration; and
3. Take action and/or provide direction as deemed necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution 22-2020: Proclamation of Local Emergency
2. Governor Newsom Proclamation of a State of Emergency
3. President Trump Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency
4. Tulare County Proclamations of Local Emergency
5. Tule River Tribe Declaration of State of Emergency
6. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-25-20 - Mass Gatherings
7. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-28-20 - Utilities
8. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-32-20 - Homeless Funding

9. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-33-20 - Stay at Home
10. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-33-20 - Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers Guidelines (Updated)
11. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-37-20 - Evictions Moratorium
12. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-39-20 - Expand Healthcare Workforce
13. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-42-20 - Utilities
14. Governor Newsom Update on California Pandemic Roadmap
15. Governor Newsom Executive Order N-60-20 - State Stage 2 Reopening and County Plan Guidelines
16. Tulare County Public Health Amended Order: April 8, 2020
17. Tulare County Public Health Amended Order: May 5, 2020
18. Tulare County Public Health Advisory - Face Coverings: May 7, 2020
19. Tulare County Public Health Amended Order: May 8, 2020
20. Tulare County Public Health Draft Reopening Plan: May 12, 2020
21. Tulare County Public Health Amended Order: May 18, 2020
22. Tulare County Roadmap to Recovery - Stage 3: May 19, 2020
23. State of California Guidance for Face Coverings: June 18, 2020
24. City of Porterville Urgency Ordinance - Face Coverings: July 21, 2020
25. City of Porterville Guidelines for Expanded Outdoor Dining
26. State of California Guidance for Reopening Outdoor Public Playgrounds: September 28, 2020
27. Tulare County Resolution - State COVID-19 Directives Clarity: October 6, 2020
28. State of California Guidance for Private Gatherings: October 9, 2020
29. Tulare County Healthy Places Index Update: October 13, 2020
30. State of California Guidance for Expanded Personal Care Services: October 20, 2020
31. State of California Limited Stay At Home Order - November 19, 2020
32. State of California Regional Stay At Home Order - December 3, 2020
33. State of California COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization - January 7, 2021

34. Tulare County COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Plan - January 7, 2021
35. Tulare County COVID-19 Vaccine Schedule
36. Tulare County Emergency Rental and Utility Assistance Program
37. State of California Outdoor and Indoor Youth and Recreational Adult Sports Guidance - February 19, 2021

Appropriated/Funded:

Review By:

Department Director:

John Lollis, City Manager

Final Approver: John Lollis, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 22-2020

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE TO
PROCLAIM THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY**

RESOLVED, by the City Council (the “Council”) of the City of Porterville (the “City”),
as follows:

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease which the
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) considers to be a very serious public health
threat with outcomes ranging from mild to severe sickness and death; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is easily transmissible from person to person and has spread
globally to over 118 countries, infected more than 125,000, and killed more than 4,000 as of
March 11, 2020 per the World Health Organization (WHO); and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Public Health and
Human Services declared a public emergency for COVID-19 beginning on January 27, 2020;
and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency
in the State of California due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, WHO made the assessment that COVID-19 can be
characterized as a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Tulare County declared an emergency due to the
confirmed case of COVID-19 at Sierra View Medical Center in the city of Porterville, thus
enabling Tulare County to take extraordinary measures; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Governor Newsom announced that California public
health officials have determined that gatherings of more than 250 people should be postponed or
canceled across the State at least until the end of March; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 therefore and will continue to cause conditions of peril to the
health, safety, and welfare of persons and property in the City of Porterville; and

WHEREAS, preparing for, responding to, mitigating, and recovering from the spread of COVID-19 requires the City to divert resources from normal day-to-day operations, and has and will continue to impose extraordinary requirements on and expenses to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds that the above described conditions related to the COVID-19 outbreak does warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency in the city of Porterville.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby **DECLARED** and **ORDERED**, as follows:

1. The proclamation of existence of a local emergency exists throughout the City of Porterville.
2. The local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Porterville.
3. As required by law, the City Council shall review the need to continue the state of emergency every thirty (30) days until this Resolution is terminated.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 17th day of March, 2020.



Martha A. Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:

John D. Lollis, City Clerk

By: 

Patrice Hildreth, Chief Deputy City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
CITY OF PORTERVILLE) SS
COUNTY OF TULARE)

I, JOHN D. LOLLIS, the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Porterville do hereby certify and declare that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the resolution passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Porterville at a meeting of the Porterville City Council duly called and held on the 17th day of March, 2020.

Said resolution was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the following vote:

Council:	PEÑALOZA	REYES	FLORES	STOWE	GURROLA
AYES:	X	X	X	X	
NOES:					
ABSTAIN:					
ABSENT:					X

JOHN D. LOLLIS, City Clerk


By: Fernando Gabriel-Moraga, Deputy City Clerk

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS in December 2019, an outbreak of respiratory illness due to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19), was first identified in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and has spread outside of China, impacting more than 75 countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS the State of California has been working in close collaboration with the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), with the United States Health and Human Services Agency, and with local health departments since December 2019 to monitor and plan for the potential spread of COVID-19 to the United States; and

WHEREAS on January 23, 2020, the CDC activated its Emergency Response System to provide ongoing support for the response to COVID-19 across the country; and

WHEREAS on January 24, 2020, the California Department of Public Health activated its Medical and Health Coordination Center and on March 2, 2020, the Office of Emergency Services activated the State Operations Center to support and guide state and local actions to preserve public health; and

WHEREAS the California Department of Public Health has been in regular communication with hospitals, clinics and other health providers and has provided guidance to health facilities and providers regarding COVID-19; and

WHEREAS as of March 4, 2020, across the globe, there are more than 94,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19, tragically resulting in more than 3,000 deaths worldwide; and

WHEREAS as of March 4, 2020, there are 129 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the United States, including 53 in California, and more than 9,400 Californians across 49 counties are in home monitoring based on possible travel-based exposure to the virus, and officials expect the number of cases in California, the United States, and worldwide to increase; and

WHEREAS for more than a decade California has had a robust pandemic influenza plan, supported local governments in the development of local plans, and required that state and local plans be regularly updated and exercised; and

WHEREAS California has a strong federal, state and local public health and health care delivery system that has effectively responded to prior events including the H1N1 influenza virus in 2009, and most recently Ebola; and

WHEREAS experts anticipate that while a high percentage of individuals affected by COVID-19 will experience mild flu-like symptoms, some will have more serious symptoms and require hospitalization, particularly individuals who are elderly or already have underlying chronic health conditions; and

WHEREAS it is imperative to prepare for and respond to suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases in California, to implement measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and to prepare to respond to an increasing number of individuals requiring medical care and hospitalization; and

WHEREAS if COVID-19 spreads in California at a rate comparable to the rate of spread in other countries, the number of persons requiring medical care may exceed locally available resources, and controlling outbreaks minimizes the risk to the public, maintains the health and safety of the people of California, and limits the spread of infection in our communities and within the healthcare delivery system; and

WHEREAS personal protective equipment (PPE) is not necessary for use by the general population but appropriate PPE is one of the most effective ways to preserve and protect California's healthcare workforce at this critical time and to prevent the spread of COVID-19 broadly; and

WHEREAS state and local health departments must use all available preventative measures to combat the spread of COVID-19, which will require access to services, personnel, equipment, facilities, and other resources, potentially including resources beyond those currently available, to prepare for and respond to any potential cases and the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS I find that conditions of Government Code section 8558(b), relating to the declaration of a State of Emergency, have been met; and

WHEREAS I find that the conditions caused by COVID-19 are likely to require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to appropriately respond; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8625(c), I find that local authority is inadequate to cope with the threat posed by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes, including the California Emergency Services Act, and in particular, Government Code section 8625, **HEREBY PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY** to exist in California.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. In preparing for and responding to COVID-19, all agencies of the state government use and employ state personnel, equipment, and facilities or perform any and all activities consistent with the direction of the Office of Emergency Services and the State Emergency Plan, as well as the California Department of Public Health and the Emergency Medical Services Authority. Also, all residents are to heed the advice of emergency officials with regard to this emergency in order to protect their safety.
2. As necessary to assist local governments and for the protection of public health, state agencies shall enter into contracts to arrange for the procurement of materials, goods, and services needed to assist in preparing for, containing, responding to, mitigating the effects of, and recovering from the spread of COVID-19. Applicable provisions of the Government Code and the Public Contract Code, including but not limited to travel, advertising, and competitive bidding requirements, are suspended to the extent necessary to address the effects of COVID-19.
3. Any out-of-state personnel, including, but not limited to, medical personnel, entering California to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, and recovering from COVID-19 shall be permitted to provide services in the same manner as prescribed in Government Code section 179.5, with respect to licensing and certification. Permission for any such individual rendering service is subject to the approval of the Director of the Emergency Medical Services Authority for medical personnel and the Director of the Office of Emergency Services for non-medical personnel and shall be in effect for a period of time not to exceed the duration of this emergency.
4. The time limitation set forth in Penal Code section 396, subdivision (b), prohibiting price gouging in time of emergency is hereby waived as it relates to emergency supplies and medical supplies. These price gouging protections shall be in effect through September 4, 2020.
5. Any state-owned properties that the Office of Emergency Services determines are suitable for use to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, or recovering from COVID-19 shall be made available to the Office of Emergency Services for this purpose, notwithstanding any state or local law that would restrict, delay, or otherwise inhibit such use.
6. Any fairgrounds that the Office of Emergency Services determines are suitable to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, or recovering from COVID-19 shall be made available to the Office of Emergency Services pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, Government Code section 8589. The Office of Emergency Services shall notify the fairgrounds of the intended use and can immediately use the fairgrounds without the fairground board of directors' approval, and

notwithstanding any state or local law that would restrict, delay, or otherwise inhibit such use.

7. The 30-day time period in Health and Safety Code section 101080, within which a local governing authority must renew a local health emergency, is hereby waived for the duration of this statewide emergency. Any such local health emergency will remain in effect until each local governing authority terminates its respective local health emergency.
8. The 60-day time period in Government Code section 8630, within which local government authorities must renew a local emergency, is hereby waived for the duration of this statewide emergency. Any local emergency proclaimed will remain in effect until each local governing authority terminates its respective local emergency.
9. The Office of Emergency Services shall provide assistance to local governments that have demonstrated extraordinary or disproportionate impacts from COVID-19, if appropriate and necessary, under the authority of the California Disaster Assistance Act, Government Code section 8680 et seq., and California Code of Regulations, Title 19, section 2900 et seq.
10. To ensure hospitals and other health facilities are able to adequately treat patients legally isolated as a result of COVID-19, the Director of the California Department of Public Health may waive any of the licensing requirements of Chapter 2 of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and accompanying regulations with respect to any hospital or health facility identified in Health and Safety Code section 1250. Any waiver shall include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the facilities to treat legally isolated patients while protecting public health and safety. Any facilities being granted a waiver shall be established and operated in accordance with the facility's required disaster and mass casualty plan. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.
11. To support consistent practices across California, state departments, in coordination with the Office of Emergency Services, shall provide updated and specific guidance relating to preventing and mitigating COVID-19 to schools, employers, employees, first responders and community care facilities by no later than March 10, 2020.
12. To promptly respond for the protection of public health, state entities are, notwithstanding any other state or local law, authorized to share relevant medical information, limited to the patient's underlying health conditions, age, current condition, date of exposure, and possible contact tracing, as necessary to address the effect of the COVID-19 outbreak with state, local, federal, and nongovernmental partners, with such information to be used for the limited purposes of monitoring, investigation and control, and treatment and coordination of care. The

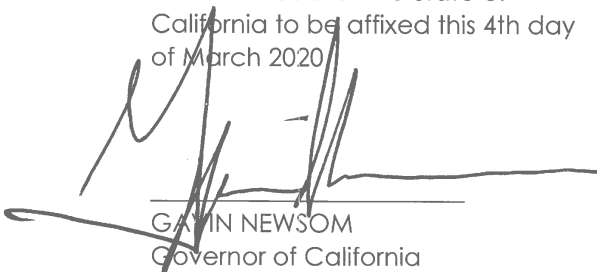
notification requirement of Civil Code section 1798.24, subdivision (i), is suspended.

13. Notwithstanding Health and Safety Code sections 1797.52 and 1797.218, during the course of this emergency, any EMT-P licensees shall have the authority to transport patients to medical facilities other than acute care hospitals when approved by the California EMS Authority. In order to carry out this order, to the extent that the provisions of Health and Safety Code sections 1797.52 and 1797.218 may prohibit EMT-P licensees from transporting patients to facilities other than acute care hospitals, those statutes are hereby suspended until the termination of this State of Emergency.

14. The Department of Social Services may, to the extent the Department deems necessary to respond to the threat of COVID-19, waive any provisions of the Health and Safety Code or Welfare and Institutions Code, and accompanying regulations, interim licensing standards, or other written policies or procedures with respect to the use, licensing, or approval of facilities or homes within the Department's jurisdiction set forth in the California Community Care Facilities Act (Health and Safety Code section 1500 et seq.), the California Child Day Care Facilities Act (Health and Safety Code section 1596.70 et seq.), and the California Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Act (Health and Safety Code section 1569 et seq.). Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have
hereunto set my hand and caused
the Great Seal of the State of
California to be affixed this 4th day
of March 2020



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak

Issued on: March 13, 2020



In December 2019, a novel (new) coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 (“the virus”) was first detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, People’s Republic of China, causing outbreaks of the coronavirus disease COVID-19 that has now spread globally. The Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) declared a public health emergency on January 31, 2020, under section 319 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d), in response to COVID-19. I have taken sweeping action to control the spread of the virus in the United States, including by suspending entry of foreign nationals seeking entry who had been physically present within the prior 14 days in certain jurisdictions where COVID-19 outbreaks have occurred, including the People’s Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, and the Schengen Area of Europe. The Federal Government, along with State and local governments, has taken preventive and proactive measures to slow the spread of the virus and treat those affected, including by instituting Federal quarantines for individuals evacuated from foreign nations, issuing a declaration pursuant to section 319F-3 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d-6d), and releasing policies to accelerate the acquisition of personal protective equipment and streamline bringing new diagnostic capabilities to laboratories. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization announced that the COVID-19 outbreak can be characterized as a pandemic, as the rates of infection continue to rise in many locations around the world and across the United States.

The spread of COVID-19 within our Nation’s communities threatens to strain our Nation’s healthcare systems. As of March 12, 2020, 1,645 people from 47 States have been infected with the virus that

causes COVID-19. It is incumbent on hospitals and medical facilities throughout the country to assess their preparedness posture and be prepared to surge capacity and capability. Additional measures, however, are needed to successfully contain and combat the virus in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONALD J. TRUMP, President of the United States, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*) and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (SSA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 1320b-5), do hereby find and proclaim that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020. Pursuant to this declaration, I direct as follows:

Section 1. Emergency Authority. The Secretary of HHS may exercise the authority under section 1135 of the SSA to temporarily waive or modify certain requirements of the Medicare, Medicaid, and State Children's Health Insurance programs and of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Privacy Rule throughout the duration of the public health emergency declared in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Sec. 2. Certification and Notice. In exercising this authority, the Secretary of HHS shall provide certification and advance written notice to the Congress as required by section 1135(d) of the SSA (42 U.S.C. 1320b-5(d)).

Sec. 3. General Provisions. (a) Nothing in this proclamation shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect:

(i) the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof; or

(ii) the functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.

(b) This proclamation shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

(c) This proclamation is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth.

DONALD J. TRUMP



Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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District Five

AGENDA DATE: March 17, 2020

Public Hearing Required	Yes ☐	N/A ☒
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes ☐	N/A ☒
Published Notice Required	Yes ☐	N/A ☒
Advertised Published Notice	Yes ☐	N/A ☒
Meet & Confer Required	Yes ☐	N/A ☒
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes ☒	N/A ☐
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes ☐	N/A ☒
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes ☐	N/A ☒
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes ☐	N/A ☒

CONTACT PERSON: Andrew Lockman PHONE: 624-8000

SUBJECT: Ratify Proclamations of Emergency for COVID-19

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify a Proclamation of Local Emergency issued by the County Coordinator of Emergency Services on March 11, 2020 due to COVID-19; and
2. Ratify a Proclamation of Local Health Emergency issued by the County Health Officer on March 11, 2020 due to COVID-19.

SUMMARY:

As has been widely covered in the media, the COVID-19 outbreak originated in China beginning in December 2019. The Tulare County Department of Public Health, in cooperation with all Tulare County departments and numerous healthcare and community partners, has been actively monitoring and proactively preparing for COVID-19 since early January 2020.

Since that time, cases have been reported worldwide along with numerous deaths resulting from the disease. California has had numerous cases resulting from travel, person-to-person contact, and community spread. On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency for COVID-19 after the first COVID-19 related death in California. Since that date, confirmed cases have also occurred in neighboring Fresno and Madera Counties.

On March 11, 2020, Tulare County had its first confirmed positive COVID-19 case. As a result, the County implemented a contingency plan under which the County's Coordinator of Emergency Services proclaimed a Local Emergency, and the County

SUBJECT: Ratify Proclamations of Emergency due to COVID-19
DATE: March 17, 2020

Health Officer proclaimed a Local Health Emergency, to enable the County to take all necessary response actions to combat the effects of the disease. Pursuant to California Government Code section 8630(b), these proclamations must be ratified within seven (7) days by the Board of Supervisors in order to remain in effect.

The Governor's State of Emergency dated March 4, 2020, waives statutory requirements to renew emergency proclamations for COVID-19, so these local proclamations will remain in effect until terminated by the Tulare County Board of Supervisors.

As a matter of information, local public health emergencies due to the threat posed by COVID-19 also have been declared by the Counties of Santa Clara, San Diego, San Francisco, Orange, Solano, Alameda, Sonoma, Marin, Placer, Los Angeles, Mendocino, Butte, San Bernardino, San Benito, Yolo, Monterey, San Mateo, Yuba, Sutter, Contra Costa, Humboldt, Lake, and Sacramento, and by numerous California cities and Indian Tribes.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no cost associated with proclaiming or terminating a local emergency or local health emergency. The proclamation of local emergency contains a request for California Disaster Assistance Act funding, which may result in cost recovery of extraordinary response costs associated with this incident.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Safety and Security initiative, with a directive to plan and provide coordinated emergency preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation capabilities for both natural and man-made disasters. These proclamations support the County's emergency response and coordination efforts by ensuring all necessary actions can be taken to mitigate the spread of disease.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Timothy W. Lutz
Agency Director

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Proclamation of Local Emergency
Proclamation of Local Health Emergency

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF RATIFY PROCLAMATIONS) Resolution No. _____
OF EMERGENCY DUE TO COVID-19) Agreement No. _____
)

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD _____
_____, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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1. Ratified a Proclamation of Local Emergency issued by the County Coordinator of Emergency Services on March 11, 2020 due to COVID-19; and
2. Ratified a Proclamation of Local Health Emergency issued by the County Health Officer on March 11, 2020 due to COVID-19.

**PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8630 and Tulare County Ordinance Code section 1-15-1030 authorize the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim a local emergency when the County of Tulare ("County") is threatened by conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the County that are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the County, and the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services hereby finds:

Conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the County due to the following:

A novel coronavirus (named "COVID-19") was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, in December 2019. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") considers the virus to be a very serious public health threat, based on current information. In part, the virus is considered a serious public health threat because much is unknown. The exact modes of transmission, the factors facilitating human-to-human transmission, the extent of asymptomatic viral shedding, the groups most at risk of serious illness, the attack rate, and the case fatality rate all remain active areas of investigation. The CDC believes at this time that symptoms appear two to fourteen days after exposure. Currently, there is no vaccine or specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19.

The number of reported cases of COVID-19 has escalated dramatically over a short period of time. To date, worldwide there are over 125,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and over 4,600 deaths from COVID-19. Cases of COVID-19, though concentrated in China, have been reported in one hundred twenty-two countries, including the United States, and include individuals who never visited China. Transmission from an asymptomatic individual has been documented. In the U.S., there have been 939 total cases of COVID-19 confirmed to date in 41 different states, and at least 29 deaths reported.

The World Health Organization has declared the outbreak to be a global health emergency. Actions are being taken to protect public health and limit the spread of COVID-19 in the United States.

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in California. There are now almost 200 confirmed cases in California spanning some 24 counties and at least four deaths have been reported in California due to COVID-19.

Local public health emergencies due to the threat posed by COVID-19 have been declared by the Counties of Santa Clara, San Diego, San Francisco, Orange, Solano, Alameda, Sonoma, Marin, Placer, Los Angeles, Mendocino, Butte, San Bernardino, San Benito, Yolo, Monterey, San Mateo, Yuba, Sutter, Contra Costa, Humboldt, Lake, and Sacramento, and by numerous California cities and Indian Tribes; and

Tulare County has a population of over 450,000 residents, many of whom travel frequently for business or personal reasons. The Health Officer of the County of Tulare has determined that there is an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Tulare County, and has declared a Local Health Emergency as a result.

These conditions are beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the County and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, a Tulare County resident tested positive for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, based on the experience of other California communities, it can reasonably be expected that other positive tests will soon follow; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is not in session, and cannot immediately be called into session; and

WHEREAS, during a local emergency, the Director of Emergency Services or other individual authorized to serve in that capacity under Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-15-1031 and 1-15-1032 is empowered by Tulare County Ordinance Code section 1-15-1025 to issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency; provided, however, that such rules and regulations must be confirmed at the earliest possible time by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services is unavailable to issue a proclamation as he is currently outside of Tulare County and has authorized his successor, the County's Coordinator of Emergency Services (Assistant County Administrative Officer), as designated in Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-15-1010 (c) and 1-15-1030 (g) to exercise the powers of Director of Emergency Services as provided for in Tulare County Ordinance Code section 1-15-1030 (h) and thereby to issue this proclamation of local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Health Department must use all preventive measures, which will require access to available services, personnel, equipment, and facilities, to respond to COVID-19; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Tulare County Coordinator of Emergency Services hereby:

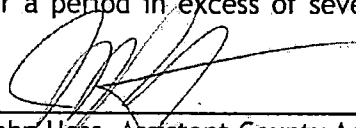
1. Proclaims that a local emergency, as defined in Government Code Section 8558 and Tulare County Ordinance Code Section 1-15-1005, now exists within the County due to the presence of COVID-19; and
2. Requests that the Governor of the State of California request a federal declaration to provide assistance, including, but not limited to, California Disaster Assistance Act ("CDAA"); and
3. Orders that the Tulare County Health Department must use all preventive measures, which will require access to available services, personnel, equipment, and facilities, to respond to COVID-19.

The local emergency shall not remain in effect for a period in excess of seven days unless it has been ratified by the Board of Supervisors.

Date: March 11, 2020

Time: 10:33 pm

By:


John Hess, Assistant County Administrative Officer
and Emergency Services Coordinator

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
COUNTY COUNSEL

/s/ Jennifer M. Shiffert
Deputy
Matter No. 2020217

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**County of Tulare
Health & Human Services Agency
Public Health Branch**

Health Officer
5957 South Mooney Blvd.
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**PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY
REGARDING NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code section 101080 and Tulare County Ordinance Code section 1-15-1033 authorize the local health officer to declare a local health emergency in the health officer's jurisdiction, or any part thereof, whenever the health officer reasonably determines that there is an imminent and proximate threat of the introduction of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease, chemical agent, noncommunicable biologic agent, toxin, or radioactive agent; and

WHEREAS, the local health emergency shall not remain in effect after 7 days from the date of this declaration unless it has been ratified by the County of Tulare's Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Health Officer of the County of Tulare makes the following findings:

A novel coronavirus (named "COVID-19") was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, in December 2019. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") considers the virus to be a very serious public health threat, based on current information. In part, the virus is considered a serious public health threat because much is unknown. The exact modes of transmission, the factors facilitating human-to-human transmission, the extent of asymptomatic viral shedding, the groups most at risk of serious illness, the attack rate, and the case fatality rate all remain active areas of investigation, but are poorly characterized at this time. The best information to date suggests that the virus is spread between people primarily via respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Symptoms of the virus include fever, cough, and shortness of breath, and infected individuals have experienced a range of outcomes, from mild sickness to severe illness and death. The CDC believes at this time that symptoms appear two to fourteen days after exposure. Currently, there is no vaccine or specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19.

The number of reported cases of COVID-19 has escalated dramatically over a short period of time. To date, worldwide there are over 125,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and over 4,600 deaths from COVID-19. Cases of COVID-19, though concentrated in China, have been reported in 122 counties, including the United States. Confirmed cases of COVID-19 include individuals who never visited China. Transmission from an asymptomatic individual has been documented. The World Health Organization has declared the outbreak to be a global health emergency.

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in California.

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY
REGARDING NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

There are now almost 200 confirmed cases in California spanning 24 counties, and 4 deaths have been reported in California due to COVID-19.

Local public health emergencies due to the threat posed by COVID-19 have been declared by the Counties of Santa Clara, San Diego, San Francisco, Orange, Solano, Alameda, Sonoma, Marin, Placer, Los Angeles, Mendocino, Butte, San Bernardino, San Benito, Yolo, Monterey, San Mateo, Yuba, Sutter, Contra Costa, Humboldt, Lake, and Sacramento, and by numerous California cities and Indian Tribes.

Tulare County has a population of over 450,000 residents, many of whom travel frequently for business or personal reasons. As of March 11, 2020 there are 939 total cases of COVID-19 in the United States and 29 deaths. 41 states have reported cases.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, a Tulare County resident tested positive for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, based on the experience of other California communities, it can reasonably be expected that other positive tests will soon follow; and

WHEREAS, the Health Officer of the County of Tulare does hereby find that there is an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Tulare County; and

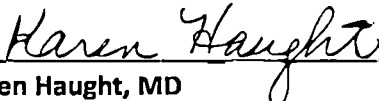
WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is not in session, and cannot immediately be called into session; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Health Officer of the County of Tulare hereby proclaims and declares that a local health emergency now exists in the County of Tulare due to the presence of and threat posed by COVID-19.

Date: March 11, 2020

Time: 10:50 pm

Issued by:



Karen Haught, MD
County Health Officer
County of Tulare
Health & Human Services Agency
Public Health Branch

Approved as to Form:
COUNTY COUNSEL

By /s/Jennifer M. Shiffert
Deputy
Matter No. 2020217

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TULE RIVER INDIAN TRIBE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

Resolution to Formally Declare a State of
Emergency for the Tule River Tribe of The)
Tule River Reservation of California)

RESOLUTION NO. FY2020-100

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TULE RIVER INDIAN TRIBE:

WHEREAS, the Tule River Indian Tribe (the "Tribe") is a federally recognized Indian tribe organized pursuant to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Tule River Indian Tribe approved January 15, 1936 ("Constitution"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution the governing body of the Tribe is the Tribal Council and pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 of its Constitution it has the power to promulgate ordinance for the purpose of safeguarding the peace and safety of residents of the reservation and to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of tribal agencies of the reservation; and

WHEREAS, On March 4th 2020, a proclaimed State of Emergency exists in the State of California, as result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, despite sustained efforts, the virus remains a threat, and further efforts to control the spread of the virus to reduce and minimize the risk of infection are needed; and

WHEREAS, for the safety and protection of the public health within the jurisdiction of the Tribe for the Tribe and/or its governmental agencies to obtain emergency support and funding from Federal, state and local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Tule River Tribal Council desires to consider state and local recommendation deemed necessary in the interests of the public health, issue guidance limiting or recommend limitations upon attendance at public assemblies, conferences, or other mass events, which could cause the cancellation of such gatherings through no fault or responsibility of the parties involved thereby constituting a force majeure; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health and safety, it is necessary to exercise my authority under Constitution of the governing body of the Tribe to ensure adequate response and address potential issues related to the threat of COVID-19; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council hereby declares a State of Emergency for the safety and protection of the public health within the jurisdiction of the Tribe for the Tribe and/or its governmental agencies to obtain emergency support and funding from Federal, state and local agencies

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Resolution No. FY2020-100

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution has not been amended or rescinded in any way.

CERTIFICATION

UPON MOTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER **Zachary Janoko** SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER **Steve M. Peyron, Jr.**, THE FOREGOING WAS ADOPTED BY THE TULE RIVER TRIBAL COUNCIL AT A DULY CALLED MEETING HELD ON **Friday, March 13, 2020**, AT WHICH A QUORUM WAS PRESENT BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 8

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN 0


NEIL PEYRON, CHAIRMAN
TULE RIVER TRIBAL COUNCIL


HEATHER TERAN, SECRETARY
TULE RIVER TRIBAL COUNCIL

ATTEST TO:


RECORDING SECRETARY

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-25-20

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS despite sustained efforts, the virus remains a threat, and further efforts to control the spread of the virus to reduce and minimize the risk of infection are needed; and

WHEREAS state and local public health officials may, as they deem necessary in the interest of public health, issue guidance limiting or recommending limitations upon attendance at public assemblies, conferences, or other mass events, which could cause the cancellation of such gatherings through no fault or responsibility of the parties involved, thereby constituting a force majeure; and

WHEREAS the Department of Public Health is maintaining up-to-date guidance relating to COVID-19, available to the public at <http://cdph.ca.gov/covid19>; and

WHEREAS the State of California and local governments, in collaboration with the Federal government, continue sustained efforts to minimize the spread and mitigate the effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS there is a need to secure numerous facilities to accommodate quarantine, isolation, or medical treatment of individuals testing positive for or exposed to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, many individuals who have developmental disabilities and receive services through regional centers funded by the Department of Developmental Services also have chronic medical conditions that make them more susceptible to serious symptoms of COVID-19, and it is critical that they continue to receive their services while also protecting their own health and the general public health; and

WHEREAS individuals exposed to COVID-19 may be temporarily unable to report to work due to illness caused by COVID-19 or quarantines related to COVID-19 and individuals directly affected by COVID-19 may experience potential loss of income, health care and medical coverage, and ability to pay for housing and basic needs, thereby placing increased demands on already strained regional and local health and safety resources such as shelters and food banks; and

WHEREAS in the interest of public health and safety, it is necessary to exercise my authority under the Emergency Services Act, specifically Government Code section 8572, to ensure adequate facilities exist to address the impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571 and 8572, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. All residents are to heed any orders and guidance of state and local public health officials, including but not limited to the imposition of social distancing measures, to control the spread of COVID-19.
2. For the period that began January 24, 2020 through the duration of this emergency, the Employment Development Department shall have the discretion to waive the one-week waiting period in Unemployment Insurance Code section 2627(b)(1) for disability insurance applicants who are unemployed and disabled as a result of the COVID-19, and who are otherwise eligible for disability insurance benefits.
3. For the period that began January 24, 2020 through the duration of this emergency, the Employment Development Department shall have the discretion to waive the one-week waiting period in Unemployment Insurance Code section 1253(d) for unemployment insurance applicants who are unemployed as a result of the COVID-19, and who are otherwise eligible for unemployment insurance benefits.
4. Notwithstanding Health and Safety Code section 1797.172(b), during the course of this emergency, the Director of the Emergency Medical Services Authority shall have the authority to implement additions to local optional scopes of practice without first consulting with a committee of local EMS medical directors named by the EMS Medical Directors Association of California.
5. In order to quickly provide relief from interest and penalties, the provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code that apply to the taxes and fees administered by the Department of Tax and Fee Administration, requiring the filing of a statement under penalty of perjury setting forth the facts for a claim for relief, are suspended for a period of 60 days after the date of this Order for any individuals or businesses who are unable to file a timely tax return or make a timely payment as a result of complying with a state or local public health official's imposition or recommendation of social distancing measures related to COVID-19.
6. The Franchise Tax Board, the Board of Equalization, the Department of Tax and Fee Administration, and the Office of Tax Appeals shall use their administrative powers where appropriate to provide those individuals and businesses impacted by complying with a state or local public health official's imposition or recommendation of social

distancing measures related to COVID-19 with the extensions for filing, payment, audits, billing, notices, assessments, claims for refund, and relief from subsequent penalties and interest.

7. The Governor's Office of Emergency Services shall ensure adequate state staffing during this emergency. Consistent with applicable federal law, work hour limitations for retired annuitants, permanent and intermittent personnel, and state management and senior supervisors, are suspended. Furthermore, reinstatement and work hour limitations in Government Code sections 21220, 21224(a), and 7522.56(b), (d), (f), and (g), and the time limitations in Government Code section 19888.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 2, sections 300-303 are suspended. The Director of the California Department of Human Resources must be notified of any individual employed pursuant to these waivers.
8. The California Health and Human Services Agency and the Office of Emergency Services shall identify, and shall otherwise be prepared to make available—including through the execution of any necessary contracts or other agreements and, if necessary, through the exercise of the State's power to commandeer property – hotels and other places of temporary residence, medical facilities, and other facilities that are suitable for use as places of temporary residence or medical facilities as necessary for quarantining, isolating, or treating individuals who test positive for COVID-19 or who have had a high-risk exposure and are thought to be in the incubation period.
9. The certification and licensure requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 17, section 1079 and Business and Professions Code section 1206.5 are suspended as to all persons who meet the requirements under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of section 353 of the Public Health Service Act for high complexity testing and who are performing analysis of samples to test for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, in any certified public health laboratory or licensed clinical laboratory.
10. To ensure that individuals with developmental disabilities continue to receive the services and supports mandated by their individual program plans threatened by disruptions caused by COVID-19, the Director of the Department of Developmental Services may issue directives waiving any provision or requirement of the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act, the California Early Intervention Services Act, and the accompanying regulations of Title 17, Division 2 of the California Code of Regulations. A directive may delegate to the regional centers any authority granted to the Department by law where the Director believes such delegation is necessary to ensure services to individuals with developmental disabilities. The Director shall describe the need justifying the waiver granted in each directive and articulate how the waiver is necessary to protect the public health or safety from the threat of COVID-19 or necessary to ensure that services to individuals with developmental disabilities are not disrupted. Any waiver granted by a directive shall expire 30 days from the date of its issuance. The Director may grant one or more 30-day extensions if the waiver continues to be necessary

to protect health or safety or to ensure delivery of services. The Director shall rescind a waiver once it is no longer necessary to protect public health or safety or ensure delivery of services. Any waivers and extensions granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

11. Notwithstanding any other provision of state or local law, including the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act, a local legislative body or state body is authorized to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to attend and to address the local legislative body or state body, during the period in which state or local public officials impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, including but not limited to limitations on public events. All requirements in both the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act expressly or impliedly requiring the physical presence of members, the clerk or other personnel of the body, or of the public as a condition of participation in or quorum for a public meeting are hereby waived.

In particular, any otherwise-applicable requirements that

- (i) state and local bodies notice each teleconference location from which a member will be participating in a public meeting;
- (ii) each teleconference location be accessible to the public;
- (iii) members of the public may address the body at each teleconference conference location;
- (iv) state and local bodies post agendas at all teleconference locations;
- (v) at least one member of the state body be physically present at the location specified in the notice of the meeting; and
- (vi) during teleconference meetings, at least a quorum of the members of the local body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local body exercises jurisdiction

are hereby suspended, on the conditions that:

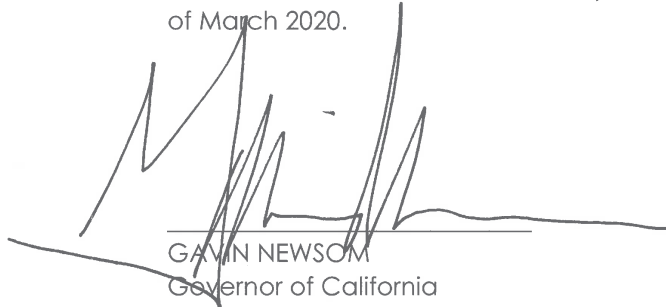
- (i) each state or local body must give advance notice of each public meeting, according to the timeframe otherwise prescribed by the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act, and using the means otherwise prescribed by the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act, as applicable; and
- (ii) consistent with the notice requirement in paragraph (i), each state or local body must notice at least one publicly accessible location from which members of the public shall have the right to observe and offer public comment at the public meeting, consistent with the public's rights of access and public comment otherwise provided for by the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act, as applicable (including, but not limited to, the requirement that such rights of access and public comment be made available in a manner consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act).

In addition to the mandatory conditions set forth above, all state and local bodies are urged to use sound discretion and to make reasonable efforts to adhere as closely as reasonably possible to the provisions of the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act, and other applicable local laws regulating the conduct of public meetings, in order to maximize transparency and provide the public access to their meetings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have
hereunto set my hand and caused
the Great Seal of the State of
California to be affixed this 12th day
of March 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-28-20

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS despite sustained efforts, the virus remains a threat, and further efforts to control the spread of the virus to reduce and minimize the risk of infection and otherwise mitigate the effects of COVID-19 are needed; and

WHEREAS the economic impacts of COVID-19 have been significant, and could threaten to undermine Californians' housing security and the stability of California businesses; and

WHEREAS many Californians are experiencing substantial losses of income as a result of business closures, the loss of hours or wages, or layoffs related to COVID-19, hindering their ability to keep up with their rents, mortgages, and utility bills; and

WHEREAS Californians who are most vulnerable to COVID-19, those 65 years and older, and those with underlying health issues, are advised to self-quarantine, self-isolate, or otherwise remain in their homes to reduce the transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS because homelessness can exacerbate vulnerability to COVID-19, California must take measures to preserve and increase housing security for Californians to protect public health; and

WHEREAS local jurisdictions, based on their particular needs, may therefore determine that additional measures to promote housing security and stability are necessary to protect public health or to mitigate the economic impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS local jurisdictions may also determine, based on their particular needs, that promoting stability amongst commercial tenancies is also conducive to public health, such as by allowing commercial establishments to decide whether and how to remain open based on public health concerns rather than economic pressures, or to mitigate the economic impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS in addition to these public health benefits, state and local policies to promote social distancing, self-quarantine, and self-isolation require that people be able to access basic utilities—including water, gas, electricity, and telecommunications—at their homes, so that Californians can work from home, receive public health information, and otherwise adhere to policies of social distancing, self-quarantine, and self-isolation, if needed; and

WHEREAS many utility providers, public and private, covering electricity, gas, water, and sewer, have voluntarily announced moratoriums on service disconnections and late fees for non-payment in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS many telecommunication companies, including internet and cell phone providers, have voluntarily announced moratoriums on service disconnections and late fees for non-payment in response to COVID-19;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1) The time limitation set forth in Penal Code section 396, subdivision (f), concerning protections against residential eviction, is hereby waived. Those protections shall be in effect through May 31, 2020.
- 2) Any provision of state law that would preempt or otherwise restrict a local government's exercise of its police power to impose substantive limitations on residential or commercial evictions as described in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) below—including, but not limited to, any such provision of Civil Code sections 1940 et seq. or 1954.25 et seq.—is hereby suspended to the extent that it would preempt or otherwise restrict such exercise. This paragraph 2 shall only apply to the imposition of limitations on evictions when:
 - (i) The basis for the eviction is nonpayment of rent, or a foreclosure, arising out of a substantial decrease in household or business income (including, but not limited to, a substantial decrease in household income caused by layoffs or a reduction in the number of compensable hours of work, or a substantial decrease in business income caused by a reduction in opening hours or consumer demand), or substantial out-of-pocket medical expenses; and
 - (ii) The decrease in household or business income or the out-of-pocket medical expenses described in subparagraph (i) was caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, or by any local, state, or federal government response to COVID-19, and is documented.

The statutory cause of action for judicial foreclosure, Code of Civil Procedure section 725a et seq.; the statutory cause of action for unlawful detainer, Code of Civil Procedure section 1161 et seq., and any other statutory cause of action that could be used to evict or otherwise eject a residential or commercial tenant or occupant of residential real property after foreclosure is suspended only as applied to any tenancy, or residential real property and any

occupation thereof, to which a local government has imposed a limitation on eviction pursuant to this paragraph 2, and only to the extent of the limitation imposed by the local government.

Nothing in this Order shall relieve a tenant of the obligation to pay rent, nor restrict a landlord's ability to recover rent due.

The protections in this paragraph 2 shall be in effect through May 31, 2020, unless extended.

- 3) All public housing authorities are requested to extend deadlines for housing assistance recipients or applicants to deliver records or documents related to their eligibility for programs, to the extent that those deadlines are within the discretion of the housing authority.
- 4) The Department of Business Oversight, in consultation with the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, shall engage with financial institutions to identify tools to be used to afford Californians relief from the threat of residential foreclosure and displacement, and to otherwise promote housing security and stability during this state of emergency, in furtherance of the objectives of this Order.
- 5) Financial institutions holding home or commercial mortgages, including banks, credit unions, government-sponsored enterprises, and institutional investors, are requested to implement an immediate moratorium on foreclosures and related evictions when the foreclosure or foreclosure-related eviction arises out of a substantial decrease in household or business income, or substantial out-of-pocket medical expenses, which were caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, or by any local, state, or federal government response to COVID-19.
- 6) The California Public Utilities Commission is requested to monitor measures undertaken by public and private utility providers to implement customer service protections for critical utilities, including but not limited to electric, gas, water, internet, landline telephone, and cell phone service, in response to COVID-19, and on a weekly basis publicly report these measures.

Nothing in this Order shall be construed to invalidate any limitation on eviction enacted by a local jurisdiction between March 4, 2020 and this date.

Nothing in this Order shall in any way restrict state or local authority to order any quarantine, isolation, or other public health measure that may compel an individual to remain physically present in a particular residential real property.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 16th day of March 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-32-20

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS despite sustained efforts, the virus continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

WHEREAS in the past two years, the State of California has allocated \$1.15 billion to local partners through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program and the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program, funding intended to provide for a variety of programs and facilities aimed at combatting homelessness; and

WHEREAS on March 17, 2020, I signed Senate Bill 89, emergency legislation that authorizes \$500 million in immediately available funding to help California fight COVID-19 for any purpose related to the March 4, 2020 proclamation of a State of Emergency, including to support local governments to protect the health and safety of homeless populations, reduce the spread of COVID-19 in homeless populations, and provide safe beds for people experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS the emergency of COVID-19 necessitates a more focused approach, including emergency protective measures to bring unsheltered Californians safely indoors, expand shelter capacity, maintain health and sanitation standards and institute medically indicated interventions, and add new isolation and quarantine capacity to California's shelter and housing inventory to slow the spread of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

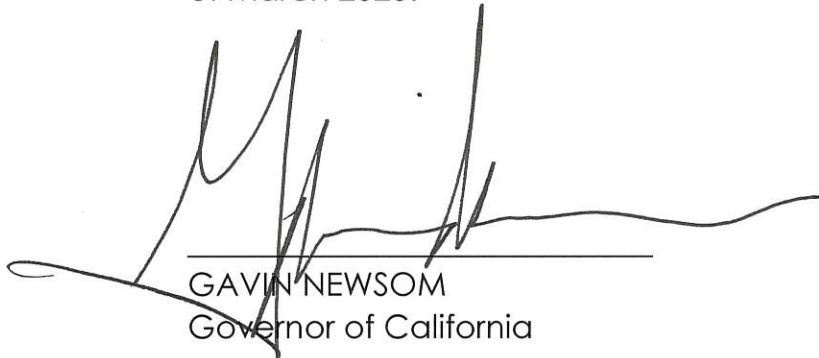
- 1) To the limited extent that any part of Health & Safety Code section 50214, subdivision (a), restricts a local jurisdiction from expending Homeless Emergency Aid Program funds on preparing for and addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on homeless individuals, including through implementing guidance from the Department of Public Health on hand and respiratory hygiene and protective congregate living protocols, and providing isolation and quarantine capacity, that part is suspended.

- 2) To the limited extent that any part of Health & Safety Code section 50219, subdivision (c), restricts a local jurisdiction from expending Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program funds on preparing for and addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on homeless individuals, including through expanding shelter and housing services and capacity, that part is suspended.
- 3) Division 13 (commencing with section 21000) of the Public Resources Code and regulations adopted pursuant to that Division are suspended for any project using Homeless Emergency Aid Program funds, Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program funds, or funds appropriated in Senate Bill 89, signed on March 17, 2020.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have
hereunto set my hand and caused
the Great Seal of the State of
California to be affixed this 18th day
of March 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-33-20

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS in a short period of time, COVID-19 has rapidly spread throughout California, necessitating updated and more stringent guidance from federal, state, and local public health officials; and

WHEREAS for the preservation of public health and safety throughout the entire State of California, I find it necessary for all Californians to heed the State public health directives from the Department of Public Health.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8627, and 8665 do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1) To preserve the public health and safety, and to ensure the healthcare delivery system is capable of serving all, and prioritizing those at the highest risk and vulnerability, all residents are directed to immediately heed the current State public health directives, which I ordered the Department of Public Health to develop for the current statewide status of COVID-19. Those directives are consistent with the March 19, 2020, Memorandum on Identification of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers During COVID-19 Response, found at: <https://covid19.ca.gov/>. Those directives follow:

ORDER OF THE STATE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER
March 19, 2020

To protect public health, I as State Public Health Officer and Director of the California Department of Public Health order all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of the federal critical infrastructure sectors, as outlined at <https://www.cisa.gov/identifying-critical-infrastructure-during-covid-19>. In addition, and in consultation with the Director of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, I may designate additional sectors as critical in order to protect the health and well-being of all Californians.

Pursuant to the authority under the Health and Safety Code 120125, 120140, 131080, 120130(c), 120135, 120145, 120175 and 120150, this order is to go into effect immediately and shall stay in effect until further notice.

The federal government has identified 16 critical infrastructure sectors whose assets, systems, and networks, whether physical or virtual, are considered so vital to the United States that their incapacitation or

destruction would have a debilitating effect on security, economic security, public health or safety, or any combination thereof. I order that Californians working in these 16 critical infrastructure sectors may continue their work because of the importance of these sectors to Californians' health and well-being.

This Order is being issued to protect the public health of Californians. The California Department of Public Health looks to establish consistency across the state in order to ensure that we mitigate the impact of COVID-19. Our goal is simple, we want to bend the curve, and disrupt the spread of the virus.

The supply chain must continue, and Californians must have access to such necessities as food, prescriptions, and health care. When people need to leave their homes or places of residence, whether to obtain or perform the functions above, or to otherwise facilitate authorized necessary activities, they should at all times practice social distancing.

- 2) The healthcare delivery system shall prioritize services to serving those who are the sickest and shall prioritize resources, including personal protective equipment, for the providers providing direct care to them.
- 3) The Office of Emergency Services is directed to take necessary steps to ensure compliance with this Order.
- 4) This Order shall be enforceable pursuant to California law, including, but not limited to, Government Code section 8665.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have
hereunto set my hand and caused
the Great Seal of the State of
California to be affixed this 19th day
of March 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

ESSENTIAL WORKFORCE

On March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20 directing all residents immediately to heed current State public health directives to stay home, except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors and additional sectors as the State Public Health Officer may designate as critical to protect health and well-being of all Californians.

In accordance with this order, the State Public Health Officer has designated the following list of “Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers” to help state, local, tribal, and industry partners as they work to protect communities, while ensuring continuity of functions critical to public health and safety, as well as economic and national security.

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Relevant Guidance For All Sectors:

- [Face Coverings Guidance](#)
 - [Orientación Sobre el Uso de Mascarillas de Tela](#)
- [Self-Isolation for Older Adults and Those Who Have Elevated Risk](#)
 - [Aislamiento para Adultos Mayores y Personas que Tienen un Riesgo Elevado](#)
- [Employers, health care workers and workers in general industry](#)

1. HEALTHCARE / PUBLIC HEALTH

Sector Profile

The Healthcare and Public Health (HPH) Sector is large, diverse, and open, spanning both the public and private sectors. It includes publicly accessible healthcare facilities, research centers, suppliers, manufacturers, and other physical assets and vast, complex public-private information technology systems required for care delivery and to support the rapid, secure transmission and storage of large amounts of HPH data.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

1. Health care providers and caregivers (including physicians, dentists, psychologists, mid-level practitioners, nurses, assistants, and aids; infection control and quality assurance personnel; pharmacists; physical, respiratory, speech and occupational therapists and assistants; social workers and providers serving individuals with disabilities including developmental disabilities; optometrists; speech pathologists; chiropractors; diagnostic and therapeutic technicians; and radiology technologists).
2. Workers required for effective clinical, command, infrastructure, support service, administrative, security and intelligence operations across the direct patient care and full healthcare and public health spectrum, including accounting, administrative, admitting and discharge, engineering, accrediting, certification, licensing, credentialing, epidemiological, source plasma and blood donation, food service, environmental services, housekeeping, medical records, information technology and operational technology, nutritionists, sanitarians; emergency medical services workers; prehospital workers including but not limited to urgent care workers; inpatient and hospital workers; outpatient care workers; home care workers; workers at long-term care facilities, residential and community-based providers; workplace safety workers).
3. Workers needed to support transportation to and from healthcare facilities and provider appointments.
4. Workers needed to provide laundry services, food services, reprocessing of medical equipment, and waste management.
5. Vendors and suppliers (including imaging, pharmacy, oxygen services, durable medical equipment)
6. Workers who perform critical clinical research, development, and testing needed for COVID-19 response.
7. Workers in other medical and life science facilities (including Ambulatory Health and Surgical, Blood Banks, Clinics, Community Mental Health, Comprehensive Outpatient rehabilitation, End Stage Renal Disease, Health Departments, Home Health care, Hospices, Hospitals, Long Term Care, Organ Pharmacies, Procurement Organizations, Psychiatric, Residential, Rural Health Clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers, and retail facilities specializing in medical goods and supplies, including cannabis).
8. Workers for health manufacturing (including life science companies, and companies that have shifted production to medical supplies), materials and parts suppliers, technicians, logistics and warehouse operators, printers, packagers, and distributors of medical equipment (including those who test and repair), personal protective equipment (PPE), isolation barriers, medical

- gases, pharmaceuticals (including materials used in radioactive drugs, and cannabis products), dietary supplements, blood and blood products, vaccines, testing materials, laboratory supplies, cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting or sterilization supplies, personal hygiene products, and tissue and paper towel products.
9. Public health / community health workers, including those who compile, model, analyze and communicate public health information.
 10. Behavioral and mental health workers responsible for coordination, outreach, engagement, and treatment to individuals in need of mental health and/or behavioral services.
 11. Donors of blood bone marrow, blood stem cell, or plasma and the workers of the organizations that operate and manage related activities.
 12. Workers that manage health plans, billing, and health information.
 13. Workers who conduct community-based public health functions, conducting epidemiologic surveillance, compiling, analyzing and communicating public health information.
 14. Workers performing IT and cybersecurity functions at healthcare and public health facilities.
 15. Workers performing security, incident management, and emergency operations functions at or on behalf of healthcare entities including healthcare coalitions.
 16. Pharmacy employees, including workers necessary to maintain uninterrupted prescription filling.
 17. Workers in retail facilities specializing in medical goods and supplies.
 18. Public health and environmental health workers, including workers specializing in environmental health that focus on implementing environmental controls, sanitary and infection control interventions, healthcare facility safety and emergency preparedness planning, engineered work practices, and developing guidance and protocols for appropriate PPE to prevent COVID-19 disease transmission; Public health/ community health workers (including call center workers) who conduct community- based public health functions, conducting epidemiologic surveillance and compiling, analyzing, and communicating public health information.
 19. Mortuary services providers, including workers performing mortuary, funeral, cremation burial, cemetery, and related services, including funeral homes, crematoriums, cemetery workers and coffin makers.
 20. Workers who coordinate with other organizations to ensure the proper recovery, handling, identification, transportation, tracking, storage, and disposal of human remains and personal effects; certify cause of death; and facilitate access to behavioral and mental health services to the family members, responders, and survivors of an incident.
 21. Workers supporting veterinary hospitals and clinics.

Relevant Sector Guidance:

- [All Facility Letters for health care facilities, including long-term care facilities](#)
- [Health care facilities, Skilled Nursing Facilities](#)
- [Individuals with Access and Functional Needs](#)
- [Medical Waste Management - Interim Guidelines](#)
- [Outpatient Healthcare Facility Infection Control Recommendations for Suspect COVID-19 Patients](#)
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- Regional Centers:
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 - [Risk Mitigation Strategies for ARFPSHN, ICF/DD-CN](#)
- [Adult and Senior Care Facilities](#)

- [Cuidado a los Adultos Mayores](#)
- [Community care facilities, including assisted living facilities and child care](#)
- [Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plans: COVID – 19 Screening and Testing](#)
- [Coverage Options Fact Sheet](#)
 - [Opciones De Cobertura](#)
- [Department of Managed Health Care All Plan Letter](#)
- [California Department of Insurance Bulletin](#)

2. EMERGENCY SERVICES SECTOR

Sector Profile

The Emergency Services Sector (ESS) is a community of highly-skilled, trained personnel, along with the physical and cyber resources, that provide a wide range of prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery services during both day-to-day operations and incident response. The ESS includes geographically distributed facilities and equipment in both paid and volunteer capacities organized primarily at the federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial levels of government, such as city police departments and fire stations, county sheriff's offices, Department of Defense police and fire departments, and town public works departments. The ESS also includes private sector resources, such as industrial fire departments, private security organizations, and private emergency medical services providers.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

1. Public, private, and voluntary personnel (front line and management) in emergency management, law enforcement, fire and rescue services, emergency medical services, corrections, rehabilitation and reentry, search and rescue, hazardous material response, and technicians supporting maritime and aviation emergency response.
2. Public Safety Answering Points and 911 call center employees; personnel involved in access to emergency services including the emergency alert system and wireless emergency alerts.
3. Fusion Center employees
4. Workers who support weather disaster / natural hazard monitoring, response, mitigation, and prevention, including personnel conducting, supporting, or facilitating wildfire mitigation activities
5. Workers – including contracted vendors -- who maintain, manufacture, or supply equipment and services supporting law enforcement, fire, EMS, and emergency service response operations (including safety equipment, electronic security, and uniforms)
6. Workers responding to abuse and neglect of children, elders and dependent adults.
7. Animal control officers and humane officers
8. Security staff to maintain building access control and physical security measures
9. Workers and contracted vendors who maintain and provide services and supplies to public safety facilities, including emergency communication center, public safety answering points, public safety communications centers, emergency operation centers, fire and emergency medical services stations, police and law enforcement stations and facilities.

Relevant Sector Guidance:

- [Public Health Guidance about COVID-19 for California State Prisons](#)
- [First responders, including paramedics and EMTs](#)

3. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Sector Profile

The Food and Agricultural (FA) Sector is composed of complex production, processing, and delivery systems and has the capacity to feed people and animals both within and beyond the boundaries of the United States. Beyond domestic food production, the FA Sector also imports many ingredients and finished products, leading to a complex web of growers, processors, suppliers, transporters, distributors, and consumers. This sector is critical to maintaining and securing our food supply.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

1. Workers supporting groceries, pharmacies, convenience stores, and other retail that sells food or beverage products, and animal/pet food, retail customer support service, information technology support staff, for online orders, pickup/takeout or delivery.
2. Workers supporting restaurant carry-out and quick serve food operations, including food preparation, carry-out and delivery food employees.
3. Food manufacturer employees and their supplier employees to include those employed in food ingredient production and processing-facilities; aquaculture and seafood harvesting facilities; livestock, poultry, seafood slaughter facilities; pet and animal feed processing facilities; human food facilities producing by-products for animal food; beverage production facilities; and the production of food packaging, including recycling operations and processing.
4. Farmers, farm and ranch workers, and agribusiness support services to include those employed in auction and sales; grain and oilseed handling, storage, processing and distribution; animal food, feed, and ingredient production, packaging, and distribution; manufacturing, packaging, and distribution of veterinary drugs; truck delivery and transport.
5. Farmers, farm and ranch workers, support service workers and their supplier employees producing food supply domestically and for export to include those engaged in raising, cultivating, harvesting, packing, storing, or delivering to storage or to market or to a carrier for transportation to market any agricultural or horticultural commodity for human consumption; those engaged in producing and harvesting field crops; cannabis growers; agricultural and commodity inspection; fuel ethanol facilities; storage facilities; biodiesel and renewable diesel facilities; and other agricultural inputs
6. Employees and firms supporting food, feed, and beverage distribution and ingredients used in these products including warehouse workers, vendor-managed inventory controllers, and blockchain managers.
7. Workers supporting the sanitation of all food manufacturing processes and operations from wholesale to retail.
8. Workers supporting the growth and distribution of plants and associated products for home gardens.
9. Workers in cafeterias used to feed workers, particularly worker populations sheltered against COVID-19
10. Workers in animal diagnostic and food testing laboratories
11. Workers essential for assistance programs and government payments
12. Government, private, and non-governmental organizations' workers essential for food assistance programs (including school lunch programs) and government payments.

13. Employees of companies engaged in the production, storage, transport, and distribution of chemicals; medicines, including cannabis; vaccines; and other substances used by the food and agriculture industry, including seeds, pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, minerals, enrichments, and other agricultural production aids.
14. Animal agriculture workers to include those employed in veterinary health (including those involved in supporting emergency veterinary or livestock services); raising of animals for food; animal production operations; livestock markets; slaughter and packing plants, manufacturers, renderers, and associated regulatory and government workforce.
15. Transportation supporting animal agricultural industries, including movement of animal medical and reproductive supplies and material, animal vaccines, animal drugs, feed ingredients, feed, and bedding, live animals, animal medical materials; transportation of deceased animals for disposal; and associated regulatory and government workforce
16. Workers who support sawmills and the manufacture and distribution of fiber and forest products, including, but not limited to timber, paper, and other wood and fiber products
17. Employees engaged in the manufacture and maintenance of equipment and other infrastructure necessary to agricultural production and distribution
18. Workers at animal care facilities that provide food, shelter, veterinary and/or routine care and other necessities of life for animals.

Relevant Sector Guidance:

- [Food, Beverage, Other Services](#)
 - [Alimentos, Bebidas y Otros Sitios de Servicios Relacionados](#)
- [Food Industry and Food Supply Chain](#)

4. ENERGY

Sector Profile

The Energy Sector consists of widely diverse and geographically dispersed critical assets and systems that are often interdependent of one another. This critical infrastructure is divided into three interrelated segments or subsectors—electricity, oil, and natural gas—to include the production, refining, storage, and distribution of oil, gas, and electric power. The Energy Sector supplies fuels to the transportation industry, electricity to households and businesses, and other sources of energy that are integral to growth and production across the Nation. In turn, it depends on the Nation's transportation, information technology, communications, finance, water, and government infrastructures.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not possible:

1. Workers supporting the energy sector, regardless of the energy source, segment of the system, or infrastructure the worker is involved in, or who are needed to monitor, operate, engineer, and maintain the reliability, safety, environmental health, physical and cyber security of the energy system, including power generation, transmission and distribution.
2. Workers supporting the energy sector, regardless of the energy source, needed for construction, manufacturing, transportation and logistics, maintenance, and permitting.
3. IT and OT technology for essential energy sector operations including support workers, customer service operations, call centers, and emergency response and customer emergency operations; energy management systems, control systems, Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition SCADA systems, and energy sector entity data centers; cybersecurity engineers; and cybersecurity risk management.
4. Workers providing services related to energy sector fuels and supply chains, supporting the procurement, mining, drilling, processing, refining, manufacturing, refueling, construction, logistics, transportation (including marine transport, terminals, rail and vehicle transport), permitting operation and maintenance, security, waste disposal, storage, and monitoring of support for resources;
5. Workers supporting environmental remediation and monitoring.
6. Workers supporting manufacturing and distribution of equipment, supplies, and parts necessary to maintain production, maintenance, restoration, and service at energy sector facilities across all energy sectors, and regardless of the energy source.
7. Workers at Independent System Operators and Regional Transmission Organizations, and Network Operations staff, engineers and technicians to manage the network or operate facilities.
8. Workers at Reliability Coordinator, Balancing Authorities, and primary and backup Control Centers, including but not limited to independent system operators, regional transmission organizations, and balancing authorities; and workers involved in energy commodity trading and scheduling.
9. Mutual assistance personnel, which may include workers from outside of the state or local jurisdiction
10. Retail fuel centers such as gas stations and truck stops, and the distribution systems that support them.

5. WATER AND WASTEWATER

Sector Profile

The Water and Wastewater Sector is a complex sector composed of drinking water and wastewater infrastructure of varying sizes and ownership types. Multiple governing authorities pertaining to the Water and Wastewater Sector provide for public health, environmental protection, and security measures, among others.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

Employees needed to operate and maintain drinking water and wastewater/drainage infrastructure, including:

1. Operational staff at water authorities
2. Operational staff at community water systems
3. Operational staff at wastewater treatment facilities
4. Workers repairing water and wastewater conveyances and performing required sampling or monitoring
5. Operational staff for water distribution and testing
6. Operational staff at wastewater collection facilities
7. Operational staff and technical support for SCADA Control systems
8. Chemical disinfectant suppliers for water and wastewater and personnel protection
9. Workers that maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting water and wastewater operations

6. TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS

Sector Profile

The Transportation Systems Sector consists of seven key subsectors, or modes:

- Aviation includes aircraft, air traffic control systems, and airports, heliports, and landing strips. Commercial aviation services at civil and joint-use military airports, heliports, and sea plane bases. In addition, the aviation mode includes commercial and recreational aircraft (manned and unmanned) and a wide variety of support services, such as aircraft repair stations, fueling facilities, navigation aids, and flight schools.
- Highway and Motor Carrier encompasses roadway, bridges, and tunnels. Vehicles include trucks, including those carrying hazardous materials; other commercial vehicles, including bicycles, commercial motor coaches and school buses; vehicle and driver licensing systems; taxis, transportation services including Transportation Network Companies, and delivery services including Delivery Network Companies; traffic management systems; AND cyber systems used for operational management.
- Maritime Transportation System consists of coastline, ports, waterways, and intermodal landside connections that allow the various modes of transportation to move people and goods to, from, and on the water.
- Mass Transit and Passenger Rail includes terminals, operational systems, and supporting infrastructure for passenger services by transit buses, trolleybuses, monorail, heavy rail—also known as subways or metros—light rail, passenger rail, and vanpool/rideshare.
- Pipeline Systems consist of pipelines carrying natural gas hazardous liquids, as well as various chemicals. Above-ground assets, such as compressor stations and pumping stations, are also included.
- Freight Rail consists of major carriers, smaller railroads, active railroad, freight cars, and locomotives.
- Postal and Shipping includes large integrated carriers, regional and local courier services, mail services, mail management firms, and chartered and delivery services.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

1. Employees supporting or enabling transportation functions, including truck drivers, bus drivers, dispatchers, maintenance and repair technicians, warehouse workers, truck stop and rest area workers, towing and recovery services, roadside assistance workers, intermodal transportation personnel, and workers that maintain and inspect infrastructure
2. Working supporting or providing services that enable logistics operations for essential sectors, wholesale and retail sale, including warehousing, cooling, storing, packaging, and distributing products for wholesale or retail sale or use.
3. Workers supporting maintenance and operation of essential highway infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and tunnels.

4. Workers of firms providing services, supplies, and equipment that enable warehouse and operations, including cooling, storing, packaging, and distributing products for wholesale or retail sale or use.
5. Mass transit workers providing critical transit services and/or performing critical or routine maintenance to mass transit infrastructure or equipment.
6. Employees supporting personal and commercial transportation services, including taxis, bicycle services, Transportation Network Companies, and delivery services including Delivery Network Companies
7. Workers responsible for operating dispatching passenger, commuter and freight trains and maintaining rail infrastructure and equipment
8. Maritime transportation and inland waterway workers – to include maintenance and repair – including port authority and commercial facility personnel, dredgers, port workers, mariners, ship crewmembers, ship pilots and tugboat operators, ship supply, Chandler, and equipment operators.
9. Workers who support the operation, inspection, and maintenance of essential dams, locks, and levees.
10. Workers who support the inspection and maintenance of aids to navigation and other government-provided services that ensure continued maritime commerce.
11. Workers supporting transportation of chemicals, hazardous, medical, waste and recyclable materials to support critical sectors and infrastructure.
12. Automotive repair, maintenance, and transportation equipment manufacturing and distribution facilities.
13. Transportation safety inspectors, including hazardous material inspectors and accident investigator inspectors
14. Manufacturers and distributors (to include service centers and related operations) of lighting and communication systems, specialized signage and structural systems, emergency response equipment and support materials, printers, printed materials, packaging materials, pallets, crates, containers, and other supplies needed to support manufacturing, packaging staging and distribution operations
15. Postal, parcel, courier, last-mile delivery, and shipping workers, to include private companies who accept, process, transport, and deliver information and goods.
16. Workers who supply equipment and materials for maintenance of transportation equipment.
17. Employees who repair and maintain vehicles, aircraft, rail equipment, marine vessels, bicycles, and the equipment and infrastructure that enables operations that encompass movement of cargo and passengers
18. Workers who support air transportation for cargo and passengers, including operation distribution, maintenance, and sanitation. This includes air traffic controllers, flight dispatchers, maintenance personnel, ramp workers, fueling agents, flight crews, airport safety inspectors and engineers, airport operations personnel, aviation and aerospace safety workers, security, commercial space personnel, operations personnel, accident investigators, flight instructors, and other on- and off-airport facilities workers.
19. Workers critical to the manufacturing, distribution, sales, rental, leasing, repair, and maintenance of vehicles and other transportation equipment (including electric vehicle charging stations) and the supply chains that enable these operations, subject to adhering public health guidance issued by CDPH.
20. Workers who support the operation, inspection, and maintenance of essential public works facilities and operations, including bridges, water and sewer main breaks, fleet maintenance personnel, construction of critical or strategic infrastructure, construction material

suppliers, traffic signal maintenance, emergency location services for buried utilities, maintenance of digital systems infrastructure supporting public works operations, and other emergent issues

21. Workers who support, such as road and line clearing, to ensure the availability of needed facilities, transportation, energy and communications.

7. COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Sector Profile

The Communications Sector provides products and services that support the efficient operation of today's global information-based society. Communication networks enable people around the world to contact one another, access information instantly, and communicate from remote areas. This involves creating a link between a sender (including voice signals) and one or more recipients using technology (e.g., a telephone system or the Internet) to transmit information from one location to another. Technologies are changing at a rapid pace, increasing the number of products, services, service providers, and communication options. The national communications architecture is a complex collection of networks that are owned and operated by individual service providers. Many of this sector's products and services are foundational or necessary for the operations and services provided by other critical infrastructure sectors. The nature of communication networks involves both physical infrastructure (buildings, switches, towers, antennas, etc.) and cyber infrastructure (routing and switching software, operational support systems, user applications, etc.), representing a holistic challenge to address the entire physical-cyber infrastructure.

The IT Sector provides products and services that support the efficient operation of today's global information-based society and are integral to the operations and services provided by other critical infrastructure Sectors. The IT Sector is comprised of small and medium businesses, as well as large multinational companies. Unlike many critical infrastructure Sectors composed of finite and easily identifiable physical assets, the IT Sector is a functions-based Sector that comprises not only physical assets but also virtual systems and networks that enable key capabilities and services in both the public and private sectors.

Essential Workforce – Communications, if remote working is not practical:

1. Maintenance of communications infrastructure- including privately owned and maintained communication systems- supported by technicians, operators, call-centers, wireline and wireless providers, cable service providers, satellite operations, Internet Exchange Points, Network Access Points, back haul and front haul facilities, and manufacturers and distributors of communications equipment.
2. Workers performing functions related to undersea cable infrastructure and support facilities, including cable landing sites, beach manhole vaults and covers, submarine cable depots, and submarine cable ship facilities
3. Government and private sector employees supporting Department of Defense internet and communications facilities.
4. Workers who support radio, television, and media service, including, but not limited to front line news reporters, studio, and technicians for newsgathering, reporting, and publishing news.
5. Network Operations staff, engineers and/or technicians to include IT managers and staff, HVAC & electrical engineers, security personnel, software and hardware engineers, and database administrators that manage the network or operate facilities
6. Workers responsible for infrastructure construction and restoration, including contractors for construction and engineering of fiber optic cables, buried conduit, small cells, other wireless facilities, and other communications sector-related infrastructure. This includes construction of

new facilities and deployment of new technology required to address congestion or customer usage on remote services.

7. Installation, maintenance and repair technicians that establish, support or repair service as needed.
8. Central office personnel to maintain and operate central office, data centers, and other network office facilities, and critical support personnel assisting front line employees
9. Customer service and support staff, including managed and professional services as well as remote providers of support to transitioning employees to set up and maintain home offices, who interface with customers to manage or support service environments and security issues, including payroll, billing, fraud, logistics and troubleshooting
10. Workers providing electronic security, fire, monitoring, and life safety services, and who ensure physical security, cleanliness, and the safety of facilities and personnel, including those who provide temporary licensing waivers for security personnel to work in other States or Municipalities.
11. Dispatchers involved with service repair and restoration
12. Retail customer service personnel at critical service center locations for onboarding customers, distributing and repairing equipment and other supply chain personnel, to support individuals' remote emergency communications needs;
13. External Affairs personnel to assist in coordinating with local, state, and federal officials to address communications needs supporting COVID-19 response, public safety, and national security.
14. Workers responsible for ensuring that persons with disabilities have access to and the benefits of various communications platforms, including those involved in the provision of telecommunication relay services, closed captioning of broadcast television for the deaf, video relay services for deaf citizens who prefer communication via American Sign Language over text, and audio-description for television programming.

Essential Workforce - Information Technology, if remote working is not practical:

15. Workers who support command centers, including, but not limited to Network Operations Command Centers, Broadcast Operations Control Center and Security Operations Command Centers
16. Data center operators, including system administrators, HVAC & electrical engineers, security personnel, IT managers and purchasers, data transfer solutions engineers, software and hardware engineers, and database administrators
17. Workers who support client service centers, field engineers, and other workers supporting critical infrastructure, as well as manufacturers and supply chain vendors that provide hardware and software, support services, research and development, information technology equipment (to include microelectronics and semiconductors), and HVAC and electrical equipment for critical infrastructure and test labs and certification agencies that qualify such equipment for critical infrastructure.
18. Workers needed to pre-empt and respond to cyber incidents involving critical infrastructure,, and entities supporting the functioning of critical infrastructure sectors
19. Suppliers, designers, transporters and other workers supporting the manufacture, distribution, and construction of essential global, national and local infrastructure for computing services (including cloud computing services and teleworking capabilities), business infrastructure, financial transactions, web-based services, and critical manufacturing

20. Workers supporting communications systems, information technology, and work from home solutions
21. Employees required to support Software as a Service businesses that enable remote working, performance of business operations, distance learning, media services, and digital health offerings, or required for technical support crucial for business continuity and connectivity.

8. GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical.

1. Critical government workers, as defined by the employer and consistent with Continuity of Operations Plans and Continuity of Government plans.
2. County workers responsible for determining eligibility for safety net benefits
3. The Courts, consistent with guidance released by the California Chief Justice
4. Workers who support administration and delivery of unemployment insurance programs, income maintenance, employment service, disaster assistance, workers' compensation insurance and benefits programs, and pandemic assistance
5. Workers to ensure continuity of building functions, including but not limited to security and environmental controls, the manufacturing and distribution of the products required for these functions, and the permits and inspection for construction.
6. Elections personnel
7. Federal, State, and Local, Tribal, and Territorial employees who support Mission Essential Functions and communications networks
8. Trade Officials (FTA negotiators; international data flow administrators)
9. Weather forecasters
10. Workers that maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting other critical government operations
11. Workers who support necessary credentialing, vetting and licensing operations for critical sector workers and operations.
12. Workers who are critical to facilitating trade in support of the national, state, and local emergency response supply chain
13. Workers supporting public and private childcare establishments, pre-K establishments, K-12 schools, colleges, and universities for purposes of distance learning, provision of school meals, or care and supervision of minors to support essential workforce across all sectors
14. Staff at government offices who perform title search, notary, and recoding services in support of mortgage and real estate services and transactions;
15. Workers and instructors supporting academies and training facilities and courses for the purpose of graduating students and cadets that comprise the essential workforce for all identified critical sectors
16. Clergy for essential support and faith-based services that are provided through streaming or other technologies that support physical distancing and state public health guidelines.
17. Human services providers, especially for at risk populations, including home delivered meal providers for older adults, people with disabilities, and others with chronic health conditions; home-maker services for frail, homebound, older adults; personal assistance services providers to support activities of daily living for older adults, people with disabilities, and others with chronic health conditions who live independently in the community with supports and services; home health providers who deliver health care services for older adults, people with disabilities, and others with chronic health conditions who live independently in the community with supports and services.
18. Government entities, and contractors that work in support of local, state, and federal public health and medical mission sets, including but not limited to supporting access to healthcare and associated payment functions, conducting public health functions, providing medical care,

supporting emergency management, or other services necessary for supporting the COVID-19 response.

Relevant Sector Guidance:

- Schools and institutions of higher education
 - [Guidance for schools \(PDF\)](#)
 - [Directrices para las escuelas sobre el nuevo coronavirus o COVID-19 \(PDF\)](#)
 - [Guidance for colleges and universities](#)
 - [Directrices para las instituciones de educación superior sobre el nuevo coronavirus o COVID-19](#)
- [Guidance for K-12 Schools: Distance Learning, School Meals, Child Care and Student Supervision](#)
- [Guidance for Using Disinfectants at Schools and Child Cares](#)
 - [Recordatorios para el uso de desinfectantes en las escuelas y guarderías](#)
- [Community care facilities, including assisted living facilities and child care](#)

9. CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

Sector Profile

The Critical Manufacturing Sector identifies several industries to serve as the core of the sector: Primary Metals Manufacturing, Machinery Manufacturing, Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing, Transportation Equipment Manufacturing Products made by these manufacturing industries are essential to many other critical infrastructure sectors.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical

1. Workers necessary for the manufacturing of metals, industrial minerals, semiconductors, materials and products needed for supply chains of the critical infrastructure sectors.
2. Workers necessary for the manufacturing of materials and products needed to manufacture medical equipment and personal protective equipment
3. Workers necessary for mining and production of critical minerals, materials and associated essential supply chains, and workers engaged in the manufacture and maintenance of equipment and other infrastructure necessary for mining production and distribution.
4. Workers who produce or manufacture parts or equipment that supports continued operations for any essential services and increase in remote workforce, including computing and communication devices, semiconductors, and equipment such as security tools for Security Operations Centers (SOCs) or data centers.
5. Workers manufacturing or providing parts and equipment that enable the maintenance and continued operation of essential businesses and facilities.

10. FINANCIAL SERVICES

Sector Profile

The Financial Services Sector includes thousands of depository institutions, providers of investment products, insurance companies, other credit and financing organizations, and the providers of the critical financial utilities and services that support these functions. Financial institutions vary widely in size and presence, ranging from some of the world's largest global companies with thousands of employees and many billions of dollars in assets, to community banks and credit unions with a small number of employees serving individual communities. Whether an individual savings account, financial derivatives, credit extended to a large organization, or investments made to a foreign country, these products allow customers to: Deposit funds and make payments to other parties; Provide credit and liquidity to customers; Invest funds for both long and short periods; Transfer financial risks between customers.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

1. Workers who are needed to process and maintain systems for processing financial transactions and services, including payment, clearing, and settlement; wholesale funding; insurance services; and capital markets activities
2. Workers who are needed to maintain orderly market operations to ensure the continuity of financial transactions and services.
3. Workers who are needed to provide business, commercial, and consumer access to banking and non-bank financial and lending services, including ATMs, lending money transmission, and to move currency, checks, securities, and payments
4. Workers who support financial operations, such as those staffing call, data and security operations centers, managing physical security, or providing accounting services.
5. Workers supporting production and distribution of debit and credit cards.
6. Workers providing electronic point of sale support personnel for essential businesses and workers.

11. CHEMICAL & HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Sector Profile

The Chemical Sector—composed of a complex, global supply chain—converts various raw materials into diverse products that are essential to modern life. Based on the product produced, the sector can be divided into five main segments, each of which has distinct characteristics, growth dynamics, markets, new developments, and issues: Basic chemicals; Specialty chemicals; Agricultural chemicals; Pharmaceuticals; Consumer products.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

1. Workers supporting the chemical and industrial gas supply chains, including workers at chemical manufacturing plants, workers in laboratories, workers at distribution facilities, workers who transport basic raw chemical materials to the producers of industrial and consumer goods, including hand sanitizers, food and food additives, pharmaceuticals, textiles, building materials, plumbing, electrical and paper products.
2. Workers supporting the safe transportation of chemicals, including those supporting tank truck cleaning facilities and workers who manufacture packaging items
3. Workers supporting the production of protective cleaning and medical solutions, personal protective equipment, disinfectants, and packaging that prevents the contamination of food, water, medicine, among others essential products
4. Workers supporting the operation and maintenance of facilities (particularly those with high risk chemicals and/ or sites that cannot be shut down) whose work cannot be done remotely and requires the presence of highly trained personnel to ensure safe operations, including plant contract workers who provide inspections
5. Workers who support the production and transportation of chlorine and alkali manufacturing, single-use plastics, and packaging that prevents the contamination or supports the continued manufacture of food, water, medicine, and other essential products, including glass container manufacturing
6. Workers at nuclear facilities, workers managing medical waste, workers managing waste from pharmaceuticals and medical material production, and workers at laboratories processing test kits
7. Workers who support hazardous materials response and cleanup
8. Workers who maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting hazardous materials management operations
9. Workers who support the removal, storage, and disposal of residential and commercial solid waste and hazardous waste, including landfill and recycling operations.

12. DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE

Sector Profile

The Defense Industrial Base Sector is the worldwide industrial complex that enables research and development, as well as design, production, delivery, and maintenance of military weapons systems, subsystems, and components or parts, to meet U.S. military requirements. The Defense Industrial Base partnership consists of Department of Defense components, Defense Industrial Base companies and their subcontractors who perform under contract to the Department of Defense, companies providing incidental materials and services to the Department of Defense, and government-owned/contractor-operated and government-owned/government-operated facilities. Defense Industrial Base companies include domestic and foreign entities, with production assets located in many countries. The sector provides products and services that are essential to mobilize, deploy, and sustain military operations.

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

1. Workers who support the essential services required to meet national security commitments to the federal government and U.S. Military, including, but are not limited to, space and aerospace workers, nuclear matters workers, mechanical and software engineers (various disciplines), manufacturing and production workers, IT support, security staff, security personnel, intelligence support, aircraft and weapon system mechanics and maintainers, and sanitary workers who maintain the hygienic viability of necessary facilities.
2. Personnel working for companies, and their subcontractors, who perform under contract or sub-contract to the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Department of Energy (DoE) (on nuclear matters), as well as personnel at government-owned/contractor operated facilities, and who provide materials and services to the DoD and DoE (on nuclear matters), including support for weapon systems, software systems and cybersecurity, defense and intelligence communications, surveillance, sale of U.S. defense articles and services for export to foreign allies and partners (as authorized by the U.S. government), and space systems and other activities in support of our military, intelligence, and space forces.

13. INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL, RESIDENTIAL, and SHELTERING FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Essential Workforce, if remote working is not practical:

1. Construction Workers who support the construction, operation, inspection, and maintenance of construction sites and construction projects (including housing, commercial, and mixed-use construction); and workers who support the supply chain of building materials from production through application/installation, including cabinetry, fixtures, doors, cement, hardware, plumbing, electrical, heating/cooling, refrigeration, appliances, paint/coatings, and employees who provide services that enable repair materials and equipment for essential functions.
2. Workers such as plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, construction material sources, and essential operation of construction sites and construction projects (including those that support such projects to ensure the availability of needed facilities, transportation, energy and communications; and support to ensure the effective removal, storage, recycling and disposal of solid waste and hazardous waste)
3. Workers such as plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences, businesses, and buildings such as hospitals and senior living facilities, including any facility supporting COVID-19 response.
4. Workers who support the supply chain of building materials from production through application and installation, including cabinetry, fixtures, doors, cement, hardware, plumbing (including parts and services), electrical, heating and cooling, refrigeration, appliances, paint and coatings, and workers who provide services that enable repair materials and equipment for essential functions.
5. Workers in hardware and building materials stores, consumer electronics, technology and appliances retail, and related merchant retailers, wholesalers and distributors that support essential workforce functions where sales and operations cannot be conducted online
6. Warehouse operators, including vendors and support personnel critical for business continuity (including heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) and electrical engineers, security personnel, and janitorial staff), e-commerce or online commerce, and customer service for essential functions.
7. Workers supporting the operations of commercial buildings that are critical to safety, security, and the continuance of essential activities, such as on-site property managers, building engineers, security staff, fire safety directors, janitorial personnel, and service technicians (e.g., mechanical, HVAC, plumbers, electricians, and elevator).
8. Workers supporting ecommerce through distribution, warehouse, call center facilities, and other essential operational support functions, that accept, store, and process goods, and that facilitate their transportation and delivery
9. Workers distributing, servicing, repairing, installing residential and commercial HVAC systems, boilers, furnaces and other heating, cooling, refrigeration, and ventilation equipment.
10. Workers managing or servicing hotels or other commercial and residential buildings that are used for COVID-19 mitigation and containment measures, treatment measures, provide accommodation for essential workers, or providing housing solutions, including measures to protect homeless populations.

11. Workers responsible for the leasing of residential and commercial properties to provide individuals and families with ready access to available housing.
12. Residential and commercial real estate workers, limited to scheduled property viewings to a potential buying party. This does not extend to open-house viewings, nor viewings with more than one buying party at a time.
13. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities and critical sector services
14. Workers responsible for handling property management, maintenance, and related service calls who can coordinate the response to emergency “at-home” situations requiring immediate attention, as well as facilitate the reception of deliveries, mail, and other necessary services.
15. Workers supporting the entertainment industries, studios, and other related establishments, provided they follow covid-19 public health guidance around physical distancing.
16. Workers that provide or determine eligibility for food, shelter, in-home supportive services, child welfare, adult protective services and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals (including family members)
17. Workers performing services in support of the elderly and disabled populations who coordinate a variety of services, including health care appointments and activities of daily living.
18. Workers who provide support to vulnerable populations to ensure their health and well-being including family care providers.
19. Workers providing dependent care services, particularly those whose services ensure essential workers can continue to work.
20. Workers who support food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals, such as those residing in shelters.
21. Workers in laundromats, laundry services, and dry cleaners.
22. Workers providing disinfection services, for all essential facilities in essential sectors
23. Workers necessary for the installation, maintenance, distribution, and manufacturing of water and space heating equipment and its components.
24. Support required for continuity of services, including commercial disinfectant services, janitorial/cleaning personnel, and support personnel functions that need freedom of movement to access facilities in support of front-line employees.

Relevant Sector Guidance:

- [Cleaning & Waste Management for Residences 2/2020](#)
- [Essential/Emergency Personnel Providing Critical In-Home Services](#)
- [Home cleaning with COVID-19 positive individuals](#)
- [Recommended Strategic Approaches for COVID-19 Response for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness](#)
- [Flow Chart: COVID-19 Recommended Protocol for People Experiencing Homelessness](#)
- [Homeless Assistance Providers](#)
- [Immigrant Communities](#)
 - [Las Comunidades de Inmigrantes](#)
- [Pets & People](#)

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-37-20

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS in a short period of time, COVID-19 has rapidly spread throughout California, necessitating stringent public health emergency orders as well as guidance from federal, state, and local public health officials; and

WHEREAS on March 16, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-28-20, suspending state law limitations on local jurisdictions that impose restrictions on evictions; and

WHEREAS on March 19, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-33-20, ordering all residents to immediately heed the Order of the State Public Health Officer for all residents, unless exempted, to stay home or at their place of residence; and

WHEREAS many Californians are experiencing or will experience substantial losses of income as a result of business closures, the loss of hours or wages, or layoffs related to COVID-19, hindering their ability to keep up with their rent, and leaving them vulnerable to eviction; and

WHEREAS minimizing evictions during this period is critical to reducing the spread of COVID-19 in vulnerable populations by allowing all residents to stay home or at their place of residence in compliance with Executive Order N-33-20; and

WHEREAS Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye issued advisory guidance on March 20, 2020 for superior courts to suspend most civil trials and hearings for at least 60 days, and on March 23, 2020, suspended all jury trials for a period of 60 days, and extended by 60 days the time period for the holding of a civil trial; and

WHEREAS on March 25, 2020 the Department of Business Oversight secured support from national banks, state banks and credit unions for temporary delays in mortgage payments and foreclosure sales and evictions for homeowners who have economic impacts from COVID-19 with the objective of maximizing consistency and minimizing hurdles potentially faced by borrowers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1) The deadline specified in Code of Civil Procedure section 1167 shall be extended for a period of 60 days for any tenant who is served, while

this Order is in effect, with a complaint that seeks to evict the tenant from a residence or dwelling unit for nonpayment of rent and who satisfies all of the following requirements:

- a. Prior to the date of this Order, the tenant paid rent due to the landlord pursuant to an agreement.
 - b. The tenant notifies the landlord in writing before the rent is due, or within a reasonable period of time afterwards not to exceed 7 days, that the tenant needs to delay all or some payment of rent because of an inability to pay the full amount due to reasons related to COVID-19, including but not limited to the following:
 - (i) The tenant was unavailable to work because the tenant was sick with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 or caring for a household or family member who was sick with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19;
 - (ii) The tenant experienced a lay-off, loss of hours, or other income reduction resulting from COVID-19, the state of emergency, or related government response; or
 - (iii) The tenant needed to miss work to care for a child whose school was closed in response to COVID-19.
 - c. The tenant retains verifiable documentation, such as termination notices, payroll checks, pay stubs, bank statements, medical bills, or signed letters or statements from an employer or supervisor explaining the tenant's changed financial circumstances, to support the tenant's assertion of an inability to pay. This documentation may be provided to the landlord no later than the time upon payment of back-due rent.
- 2) No writ may be enforced while this Order is in effect to evict a tenant from a residence or dwelling unit for nonpayment of rent who satisfies the requirements of subparagraphs (a)-(c) of paragraph 1.
- 3) The protections in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be in effect through May 31, 2020.

Nothing in this Order shall prevent a tenant who is able to pay all or some of the rent due from paying that rent in a timely manner or relieve a tenant of liability for unpaid rent.

Nothing in this Order shall in any way restrict state or local governmental authority to order any quarantine, isolation, or other public health measure that may compel an individual to remain physically present in a particular residential property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order supersedes Executive Order N-28-20 to the extent that there is any conflict with that Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 27th day of March 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gavin Newsom', written over a horizontal line.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

A horizontal line representing a signature.

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-39-20

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread at a rapid rate, threatening to overwhelm California's healthcare delivery system; and

WHEREAS California is preparing for a surge in the number of people who will need hospital care during the COVID-19 outbreak by increasing the number of hospital beds and post-acute care facilities that can treat and serve patients; and

WHEREAS this anticipated increase in the use of the healthcare system will require an increase in the health care workforce such as nurses, doctors, medical assistants, and emergency medical technicians; and

WHEREAS maximizing the number of qualified and capable medical and healthcare workers in service in California is imperative to ensure that Californians impacted by COVID-19 can access medical treatment; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated surge requires temporary adjustment of California's staffing and health and safety standards for health providers and health facilities, which are among the strongest in the nation, as numerous professionals are unable to satisfy professional licensing requirements in light of the COVID-19 pandemic that then subsequently prevent them from providing necessary medical and healthcare assistance to the public; and

WHEREAS, our most vulnerable residents who rely on state and local government for social services need additional support during this time; and

WHEREAS the Department of Developmental Services operates Stabilization, Training, Assistance and Reintegration (STAR) community crisis homes to treat individuals with developmental disabilities in acute crisis and additional STAR homes are required to provide treatment to such individuals and to protect the public health during the COVID-19 crisis; and

WHEREAS federal guidance permits monthly caseworker visits with children under court jurisdiction to be accomplished through videoconferencing in limited circumstances, such as a declaration of an emergency that prohibits or strongly discourages face-to-face contact for public health reasons; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1) To assist in the care and/or to protect the health of individuals in hospitals and other health facilities, and due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the director of the State Department of Public Health may, to the extent necessary and only for the duration of the declared emergency, waive any of the licensing and staffing requirements of chapters 2 and 2.4 of division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and any accompanying regulations with respect to any hospital or health facility identified in Health and Safety Code section 1250. Any waiver shall include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the facilities to treat patients while protecting public health and safety. To the extent the facility maintains a disaster and mass casualty plan, the facility granted a waiver shall be established and operate in accordance with that plan. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.
- 2) To facilitate the continued provision of care due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the director of the State Department of Public Health may, to the extent necessary and only for the duration of the declared emergency, waive any of the professional licensing and certification requirements and amend scopes of practice of chapters 2, 2.35, and 8 of division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and any accompanying regulations with respect to certified nursing assistants, home health aides, and nursing home administrators, and chapter 3, division 2 of the Business and Professions Code and accompanying regulations with respect to certified hemodialysis technicians. The Department shall provide guidance to facilities directing the appropriate qualifications and scope of practice for each classification operating under a waiver based on sound clinical guidelines and the individual's training, education, and work experience. Any waiver shall include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the facilities to treat patients while protecting public health and safety. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.
- 3) The certification and permitting requirements of the Radiologic Technology Act (as identified in Health and Safety Code section 27) are, only for the duration of the declared emergency, suspended for all persons:
 - (i) whose certificate or permit issued pursuant to the Radiological Technology Act is expired, regardless of expiration date, or has been canceled; or
 - (ii) who hold Radiography certification issued by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists or are an American Registry of Radiologic Technologists Registered Radiologist Assistant; or
 - (iii) who are credentialed as Radiology Practitioner Assistants by the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants; or

- (iv) who are certified, permitted or otherwise authorized to perform radiologic technology by passing a State-required examination by a state other than the State of California; and
- (v) who are working under the supervision of a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act, except that the requirement to be under supervision shall not apply to a licentiate of the healing arts, as defined in the Radiological Technology Act; and
- (vi) who are deemed by a health facility as necessary workforce for purposes of this Order.

The specific certification requirements of Health and Safety Code section 107110 are suspended for any person who is licensed under the Medical Practice Act (Business and Professions Code sections 2000, et seq.). Except for persons licensed under the Medical Practice Act, this suspension of certification and permitting requirements shall not apply to persons who have never been either certified or permitted by the Department of Public Health, or certified, permitted, or otherwise authorized by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants, or any other state. This suspension of certification and permitting requirements shall also not apply to persons whose certificate, permit, or other authorization has been revoked or suspended for cause by the Department of Public Health, the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants, or any other state.

- 4) To ensure hospitals are adequately prepared and staffed to treat COVID-19 patients, the Director of the State Department of Public Health may temporarily waive licensing requirements in Health and Safety Code section 1277 and sections 70203(a)(2), 70701(a)(1)(E), 70703(b), and 70705(a) of Chapter 1, Article 3, of Title 22, that pertain to the credentialing and privileging of physicians. Any waiver shall include alternate measures that, under the circumstances, ensure the competency of physicians providing medical services at the hospital.
- 5) To facilitate the continued provision of care to individuals affected by the COVID-19 outbreak, the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs may to the extent necessary and only for the duration of the declared emergency, waive any of the professional licensing requirements and amend scopes of practice in Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, and any accompanying regulations. Professional licensing requirements should be interpreted broadly to effectuate the purposes of this executive order, and they include, but are not limited to, the examination, education, experience, and training requirements necessary to obtain and maintain licensure, and requirements governing the practice and permissible activities for licensees. The Department, in conjunction with the relevant licensing board, shall provide guidance identifying the appropriate qualifications and scope of practice for each classification operating under a waiver based on sound clinical guidelines and the individual's training, education, and work experience. Any waiver may include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the regulated individual to treat patients while protecting public health

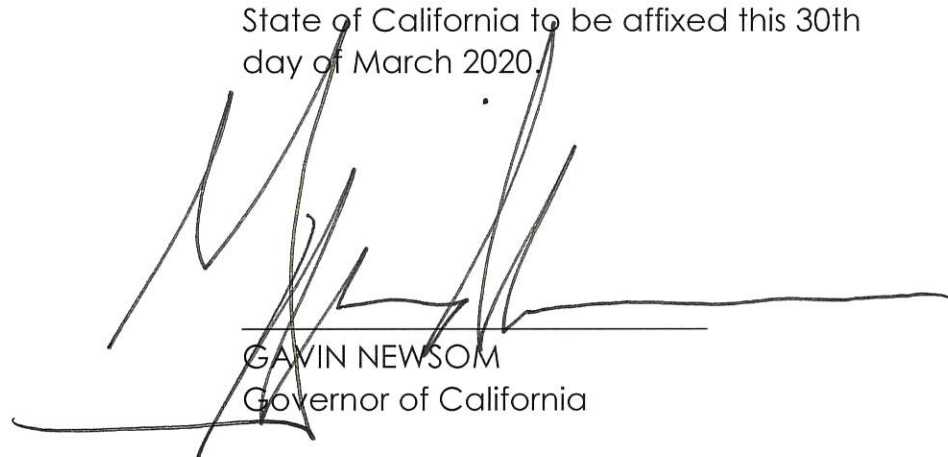
and safety. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

- 6) To ensure the continued operation of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system without unduly endangering the people of California during the COVID-19 outbreak, the Director of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority may as necessary and only for the duration of the declared emergency, suspend any licensing, certification, or training requirements for EMS personnel as contained in the EMS Act Chapters 2, 3, and 4, and accompanying regulations, including the authority to permit EMS personnel to provide services in any setting as authorized by the Director for the performance of the current scope of practice. The Authority shall provide guidance to local emergency medical services authorities directing the appropriate qualifications and scope of practice for each classification operating under a waiver based on sound clinical guidelines and the individual's training, education, and work experience. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Authority's website.
- 7) Notwithstanding the Government Code section 14669, or any other law, the Director of the Department of Developmental Services has the authority to enter into a lease, lease-purchase, lease with option to purchase any real or personal property or any other agreement to procure residences or facilities and necessary equipment, goods or services to serve those individuals with development disabilities in crisis, to respond to, mitigate the effects or prevent the spread of COVID-19 to individuals with developmental disabilities or the general community. The leases or agreements may be executed without the review or prior approval of any other state department or agency. The leases or agreements executed pursuant to this provision shall be in effect so long as necessary to address the COVID-19 crisis or its effects.
- 8) The Department of Social Services may, to the extent the Department deems necessary to respond to the COVID-19 crisis, allow any state monthly face-to-face caseworker visitation requirement, standard, or criteria set forth in the Welfare and Institutions Code sections 16501.1, subdivision (l), 16516.5, and 16516.6, as well as accompanying regulations or other written directives, policies or procedures, to be accomplished through videoconferencing, instead of in-person contact. This flexibility shall only be utilized by caseworkers in keeping with guidance from the Department and after a child-specific decision based on the training and experience of the social worker, considering all available information, that an in-person visit is not necessary to ensure the child's safety and well-being. Any flexibility granted pursuant to this paragraph shall not waive or conflict with applicable federal requirements in United States Code, Title 42, sections 622, subdivision (b)(17) and 624, subdivision (f), as modified for emergency waivers in guidance issued March 18, 2020, in the Child Welfare Policy Manual Title IV-B, section 7.3, question 8 and shall expire at the end of the emergency declaration, in 90 days, or sooner as determined by the Department. Any flexibility granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted to the Department's website.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 30th day of March 2020.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, likely belonging to Gavin Newsom, is written over a horizontal line. The signature is composed of several sharp, sweeping strokes.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-42-20

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS it is the established policy of the State under Water Code section 106.3 that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes; and

WHEREAS to limit the spread of COVID-19 it is crucial that Californians wash their hands regularly and thoroughly; and

WHEREAS many Californians are experiencing or will experience substantial losses of income as a result of business closures, the loss of work hours or wages, or layoffs related to COVID-19, which may hinder their ability to make payments for water service and subject them to water shutoffs due to non-payment; and

WHEREAS many small businesses that provide services essential to the health and well-being of Californians have experienced substantial reductions in income, which may hinder their ability to make payments for water service and subject them to water shutoffs due to non-payment; and

WHEREAS the California Public Utilities Commission has directed private water utilities under its jurisdiction to implement customer service protections, including a moratorium on service disconnections, during the COVID-19 emergency; and

WHEREAS more than 100 public and private water systems have voluntarily agreed to halt disconnections as well; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with the various statutes and regulations concerning water shutoffs specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and the statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8570, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1) The authority of urban and community water systems, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 116902, subdivision (d), to discontinue residential service, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 116902, subdivision (c), for non-payment under Health and Safety Code sections 116908 and 116910, is suspended.
- 2) Water systems not subject to the requirements of Health and Safety Code sections 116908 and 116910 shall not discontinue residential

service, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 116902, subdivision (c), for non-payment.

- 3) Water systems shall restore any residential service to occupied residences that has been discontinued for nonpayment since March 4, 2020.
- 4) Water systems shall not discontinue service to any business in the critical infrastructure sectors designated by the State Public Health Officer as critical to protect the health and well-being of all Californians that qualifies as a small business under 13 C.F.R. § 121.201 of the Small Business Administration's regulations.
- 5) The State Water Resources Control Board shall identify best practices, guidelines, or both to be implemented during the COVID-19 emergency (i) to address non-payment or reduced payments, (ii) to promote and to ensure continuity of service by water systems and wastewater systems, and (iii) to provide measures such as the sharing of supplies, equipment and staffing to relieve water systems under financial distress.

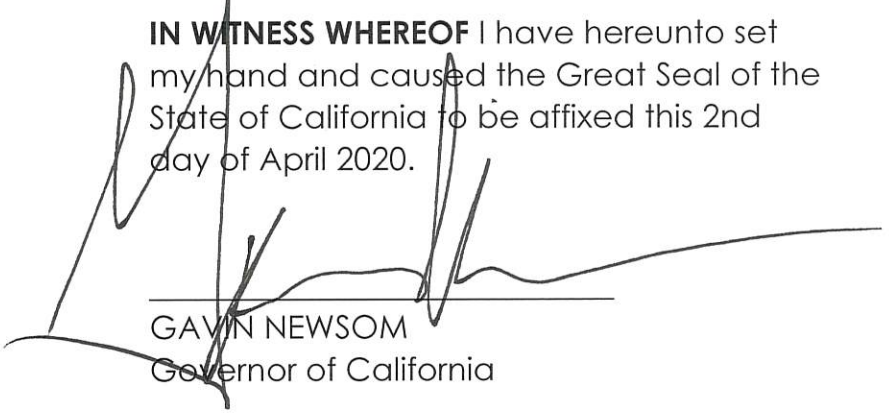
Nothing in this Order eliminates the obligation of water customers to pay for water service, prevents a water system from charging a customer for such service, or reduces the amount a customer already may owe to a water system.

Nothing in this Order modifies the obligations of urban and community waters systems to comply with provisions of the Water Shutoff Protection Act not specifically addressed by this Order or other applicable laws, regulations, and guidelines.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 2nd day of April 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

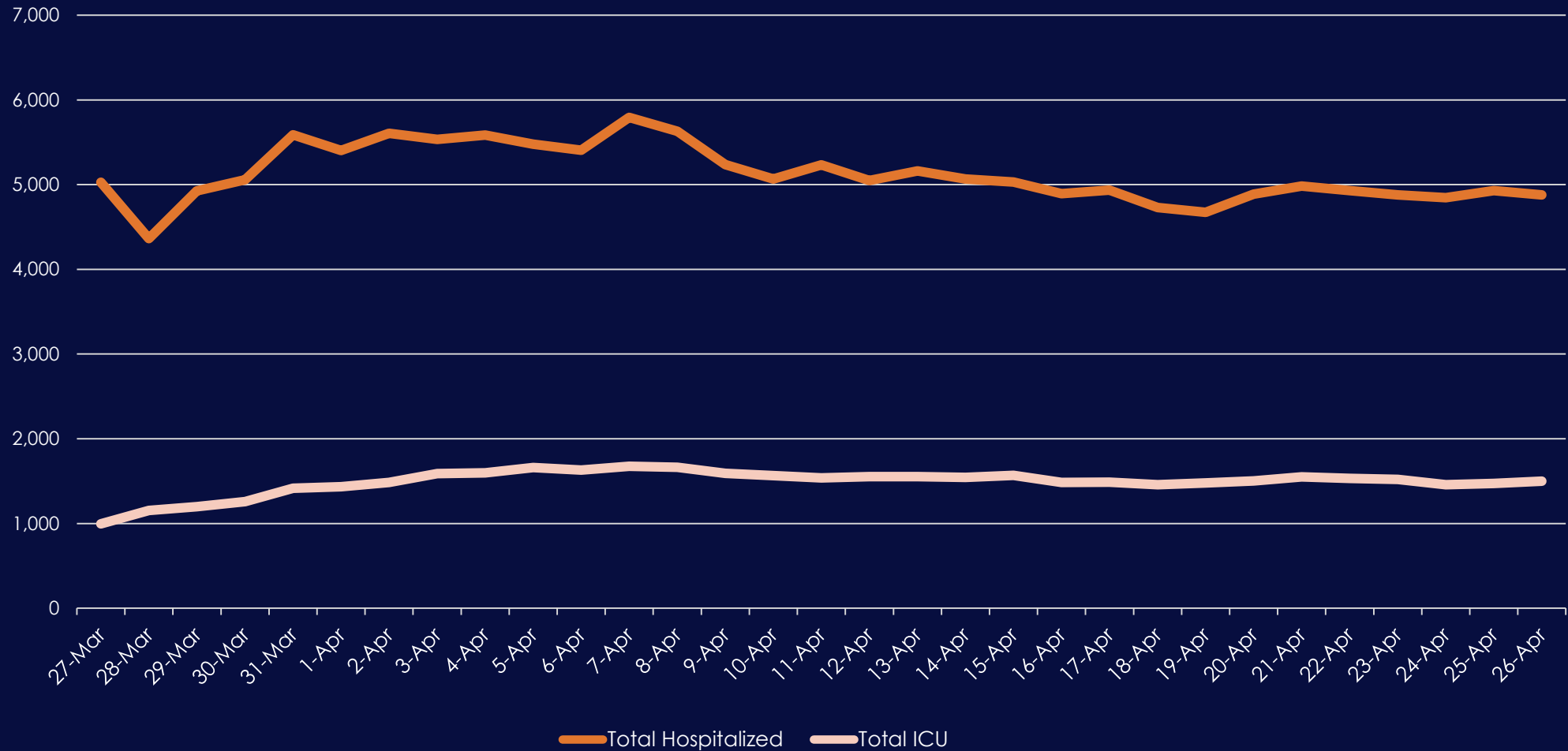


Update on California's Pandemic Roadmap

6 Indicators for Modifying Stay-at-Home Order

- Ability to test, contact trace, isolate, and support the exposed
- Ability to protect those at high risk for COVID-19
- Surge capacity for hospital and health systems
- Therapeutic development to meet the demand
- Ability of businesses, schools, and childcare facilities to support physical distancing
- Determination of when to reinstitute measures like Stay-At-Home

California Hospitalization Trend Lines



Total includes both COVID-19 confirmed positive hospitalizations as well as COVID-19 suspect hospitalizations.

The Basics



COVID-19 is not going away soon.



Modifications to Stay-At-Home Order must be guided by health risk and a commitment to equity.



Taking responsibility is key at all levels – individual, business, and government.

Resilience Roadmap Stages

STAGE 1: Safety and Preparedness

Making essential workforce environment as safe as possible.

STAGE 2: Lower Risk Workplaces

Creating opportunities for lower risk sectors to adapt and re-open.

Modified school programs and childcare re-open.

STAGE 3: Higher Risk Workplaces

Creating opportunities for higher risk sectors to adapt and re-open.

STAGE 4: End of Stay-At-Home Order

Return to expanded workforce in highest risk workplaces.

Requires
Therapeutics.

Stage 1: Safety and Preparedness

This is where we are now.

- **Continue to build out testing, contact tracing, PPE, and hospital surge capacity.**
- **Continue to make essential workplaces as safe as possible.**
 - Physical and work flow adaption
 - Essential workforce safety net
 - Make PPE more widely available
 - Individual behavior changes
- **Prepare sector-by-sector safety guidelines for expanded workforce.**

Stage 2: Lower Risk Workplaces

Gradually opening some lower risk workplaces with ADAPTATIONS:

- Retail (e.g. curbside pickup)
- Manufacturing
- Offices (when telework not possible)
- Opening more public spaces

Expanded Workforce Safety Net:

- Wage replacement so workers can stay home when sick

Stage 2: Lower Risk Workplaces

Schools and Childcare Facilities with Adaptations:

- Summer programs and next school year potentially starting sooner (July/August)
- Childcare facilities to provide more care
- Address learning gaps
- Ensure students and staff are protected
- Allow broader workforce to return to work

Actions needed to get from Stage 1 to Stage 2



Government Actions

- Policies that allow people to stay home when they're sick
- Guidance provided on how to reduce risk



Business Actions

- Wage replacement so workers can stay home when sick
- Implement adaptations to lower-risk workplaces NOW
- Employees continue to work from home when possible



Individual Actions

- Safety precautions – physical distancing, face coverings, etc.
- Avoid all non-essential travel
- Support and care for people who are at high risk

When are we ready for Stage 2?

Key indicator considerations to move to Stage 2:

- Hospitalization and ICU trends stable.
- Hospital surge capacity to meet demand.
- Sufficient PPE supply to meet demand.
- Sufficient testing capacity to meet demand.
- Contact tracing capacity statewide.

Transition to Stage 2 will occur through a statewide modification to the Stay-At-Home Order.

Opportunity for Regional Variations

During Stage 2, counties may choose to relax stricter local orders at their own pace.

Following Stage 2, once a statewide COVID-19 surveillance system is made possible through testing, further regional variations could be supported.

State will consult and collaborate closely with local governments.

Stage 3: Higher Risk Workplaces

Open higher risk environments with adaptations and limits on size of gatherings:

- Personal care (hair and nail salons, gyms)
- Entertainment venues (movie theaters, sports without live audiences)
- In-person religious services (churches, weddings)

Stage 4: End of Stay-At-Home Order

Re-open highest risk workplaces with all indicators satisfied once therapeutics have been developed:

- Concerts
- Convention Centers
- Live audience sports

Be Part of the Solution

Stay Home. Practice Physical Distancing.

We are enlisting all Californians to help inform the development of guidance for sectors across our economy.

This guidance will provide a framework for how to safely re-open.

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**Your Actions
Save Lives**

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-60-20

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS on March 19, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-33-20, which directed all California residents to immediately heed current State public health directives; and

WHEREAS State public health directives, available at <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/>, have ordered all California residents stay home except for essential needs, as defined in State public health directives; and

WHEREAS COVID-19 continues to menace public health throughout California; and

WHEREAS the extent to which COVID-19 menaces public health throughout California is expected to continue to evolve, and may vary from place to place within the State; and

WHEREAS California law promotes the preservation of public health by providing for local health officers—appointed by county boards of supervisors and other local authorities—in addition to providing for statewide authority by a State Public Health Officer; and

WHEREAS these local health officers, working in consultation with county boards of supervisors and other local authorities, are well positioned to understand the local needs of their communities; and

WHEREAS local governments are encouraged to coordinate with federally recognized California tribes located within or immediately adjacent to the external geographical boundaries of such local government jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS the global COVID-19 pandemic threatens the entire State, and coordination between state and local public health officials is therefore, and will continue to be, necessary to curb the spread of COVID-19 throughout the State; and

WHEREAS State public health officials have worked, and will continue to work, in consultation with their federal, state, and tribal government partners; and

WHEREAS the State Public Health Officer has articulated a four-stage framework—which includes provisions for the reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces (“Stage Two”), to be followed by the reopening of higher-risk businesses and spaces (“Stage Three”)—to allow Californians to gradually resume various activities while continuing to preserve public health in the face of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS the threat posed by COVID-19 is dynamic and ever-changing, and the State's response to COVID-19 (including implementation of the four-stage framework) should likewise retain the ability to be dynamic and flexible; and

WHEREAS to preserve this flexibility, and under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act, Government Code section 11340 et seq., would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, 8627, and 8665; and also in accordance with the authority vested in the State Public Health Officer by the laws of the State of California, including but not limited to Health and Safety Code sections 120125, 120130, 120135, 120140, 120145, 120150, 120175, and 131080; do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1) All residents are directed to continue to obey State public health directives, as made available at <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/> and elsewhere as the State Public Health Officer may provide.
- 2) As the State moves to allow reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces ("Stage Two"), and then to allow reopening of higher-risk businesses and spaces ("Stage Three"), the State Public Health Officer is directed to establish criteria and procedures—as set forth in this Paragraph 2—to determine whether and how particular local jurisdictions may implement public health measures that depart from the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer.

In particular, the State Public Health Officer is directed to establish criteria to determine whether and how, in light of the extent to which the public health is menaced by COVID-19 from place to place within the State, local health officers may (during the relevant stages of reopening) issue directives to establish and implement public health measures less restrictive than any public health measures implemented on a statewide basis pursuant to the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer.

The State Public Health Officer is further directed to establish procedures through which local health officers may (during the relevant stages of reopening) certify that, if their respective jurisdictions are subject to proposed public health measures (which they shall specify to the extent such specification may be required by the State Public Health Officer) that are less restrictive than public health measures implemented on a statewide basis pursuant to the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer, the public health will not be menaced. The State Public Health Officer shall additionally establish procedures to permit, in a manner consistent with public health and

safety, local health officers who submit such certifications to establish and implement such less restrictive public health measures within their respective jurisdictions.

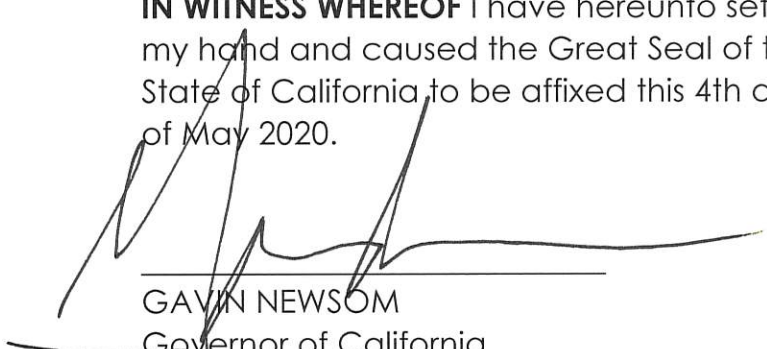
The State Public Health Officer may, from time to time and as she deems necessary to respond to the dynamic threat posed by COVID-19, revise the criteria and procedures set forth in this Paragraph 2. Nothing related to the establishment or implementation of such criteria or procedures, or any other aspect of this Order, shall be subject to the Administrative Procedure Act, Government Code section 11340 et seq. Nothing in this Paragraph 2 shall limit the authority of the State Public Health Officer to take any action she deems necessary to protect public health in the face of the threat posed by COVID-19, including (but not limited to) any necessary revision to the four-stage framework previously articulated by the State Public Health Officer.

- 3) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the existing authority of local health officers to establish and implement public health measures within their respective jurisdictions that are more restrictive than, or that otherwise exist in addition to, the public health measures imposed on a statewide basis pursuant to the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 4th day of May 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State

**County of Tulare
Health & Human Services Agency
Public Health Branch**

Health Officer
5957 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277 559-624-8480



**EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY ORDER FOR THE PREVENTION OF NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)
TRANSMISSION IN OR ABOUT RESTAURANTS, BARS, FOOD TRUCKS, GROCERY STORES, AND OTHER
RETAIL FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE VENUES, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATIONAL VENUES,
GYMS, HEALTH CLUBS, THEATERS, CHURCHES, AND OTHER SOCIAL GATHERINGS**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the County Health Officer of the County of Tulare proclaimed and declared that a local health emergency now exists in the County of Tulare due to the presence of and threat posed by the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors ratified said proclamation at its regular meeting of March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, said proclamation shall remain in effect until further notice; and

WHEREAS, the severity of the local health emergency appears to be increasing each day, with additional reported cases of COVID-19 infections and related deaths in all areas of California, the U.S., and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the California Department of Public Health ("CDPH") and State Emergency officials issued guidance to local communities regarding public safety measures that should be taken with respect to (1) retail food, beverage, and related service venues, (2) entertainment venues; and (3) gyms, health clubs, theaters, and other social gatherings, in order to prevent the transmission of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the County Public Health Officer issued an Emergency Order For The Prevention Of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Transmission In Or About Restaurants, Bars, Food Trucks, Grocery Stores, And Other Retail Food And Beverage Service Venues, Entertainment And Recreational Venues, Gyms, Health Clubs, Theaters, Churches, And Other Social Gatherings ("ORDER"), which is set to expire on April 19, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20 directing all California residents immediately to heed current State public health directives to stay home (shelter-in-place), except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors and additional sectors as the State Public Health Officer may designate as critical to protect the health and well-being of all Californians; and

WHEREAS, due to the continued transmission of COVID-19 throughout Tulare County, it is the opinion of the County Public Health Officer that it is necessary to continue to enforce the aforementioned orders to combat further transmission of the disease to Tulare County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-15-1033 (b) and 1-15-1040 (b), and California Health and Safety Code sections 101040, 101085, and 120175, the County Public Health Officer extends the ORDER previously issued on March 19, 2020, until such a time that it is terminated or modified by the County Public Health Officer in writing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Time: 5:10 p.m.
Date: April 8, 2020

Issued by:



Karen Haught, MD
County Health Officer
County of Tulare
Health & Human Services Agency
Public Health Branch

Approved as to Form:
COUNTY COUNSEL

By Jennifer M. Flores Digitally signed by Jennifer M. Flores
Date: 2020.04.09 09:46:16 -0700
Chief Deputy
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Attachments: March 19, 2020 Order of the County Public Health Officer

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**AMENDED EMERGENCY ORDER FOR THE PREVENTION OF NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)
TRANSMISSION IN OR ABOUT RESTAURANTS, BARS, FOOD TRUCKS, GROCERY STORES, AND OTHER
RETAIL FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE VENUES, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATIONAL VENUES,
GYMS, HEALTH CLUBS, THEATERS, CHURCHES, OTHER SOCIAL GATHERINGS, AND OUTDOOR
RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the County Health Officer of the County of Tulare proclaimed and declared that a local health emergency now exists in the County of Tulare due to the presence of and threat posed by the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors ratified said proclamation at its regular meeting of March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, said proclamation shall remain in effect until further notice; and

WHEREAS, the severity of the local health emergency appears to be increasing each day, with additional reported cases of COVID-19 infections and related deaths in all areas of California, the U.S., and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Public Health ("CDPH") and State Emergency officials have issued ongoing guidance to local communities regarding public safety measures that should be taken with respect to (1) retail food, beverage, and related service venues, (2) entertainment venues, and (3) gyms, health clubs, theaters, other social gatherings, and outdoor recreational activities, in order to prevent the transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, said guidance is designed to protect individuals attending and working at these venues and prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our communities; and

WHEREAS, under said guidance, available at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx> and <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/> the following actions have been recommended:

- **Bars, wineries, breweries and pubs** should be closed, except for venues that are currently authorized to provide off sale beer and wine to be consumed off premises be allowed; bars, breweries, pubs, and wineries that include meals provided by a full kitchen should follow the restaurant guidance below if they provide delivery or pick-up options;
- **Restaurants** should be closed for in-restaurant seated dining and should be open only to drive-through or other pick-up/delivery options;
- **Food trucks** should increase the frequency of cleaning of menus, cash registers, receipt trays, condiment holders, writing instruments and other non-food contact surfaces frequently touched by patrons and employees, ensure that social distancing of six feet per person between those who are not members of the same household is maintained and make clear that members of the same household can participate together, stand in line together, etc., but limiting the number of

people in lines;

- **Grocery stores and charitable food distribution sites** should remain fully open and operational, but ensure that social distancing of six feet per person between those who are not members of the same household is maintained and make clear that members of the same household can participate in activities together, stand in line together, etc., and limiting the number of customers at any given time as necessary to reduce outdoor/indoor crowding and lines to meet social distancing guidance, and increase cleaning and sanitizing frequency of restroom and other high contact areas; and stores that have online ordering with outside pick-up or delivery options should encourage use of these when possible in lieu of indoor shopping;
- **Certified Farmers' Markets** should space booths accordingly to increase social distancing among patrons in line and walking about the market; ensure that social distancing of six feet per person between those who are not members of the same household is maintained and make clear that members of the same household can participate in activities together, stand in line together, etc.; limit the number of customers at any given time as necessary to reduce outdoor/indoor crowding and lines to meet social distancing guidance; increase cleaning and sanitizing frequency of restroom and other high contact areas; train employees on best hygiene practices including washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; offer additional hand washing or sanitizing stations throughout the venue; encourage activities such as pre-bagging to expedite purchasing; suspend sampling activities; increase frequency of cleaning of tables, payment devices, and other surfaces; eliminate non-essential/non-related services, such as bands or other entertainment; and at the end of the market, continue to utilize local food recovery systems to feed/donate extra products to populations in need;
- **All retail food and beverage service venues** should remind employees of best hygiene practices including washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- **Gambling venues** should eliminate, delay, or reduce conventions/tournaments that increase customer flow above 250 persons in a single room/space; increase frequency of cleaning of chips, shuffling machines, and other objects utilized in games; increase frequency of cleaning and/or disposal of playing cards; eliminate non-essential/non-related services, such as massages or other ancillary services co-housed in gambling venues that could increase customer flow above 250 persons in a single room/space; ensure that social distancing of six feet per person between those who are not members of the same household is maintained and make clear that members of the same household can participate together, stand in line together etc.; limit the number of people in lines; separate spaces on the gaming floor into smaller components; increase frequency of cleaning and sanitizing per CDC Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection guidance of all hard surfaces, including terminals and felt and vinyl surfaces of card tables and chairs; increase cleaning and sanitizing frequency of restroom and other high contact areas; eliminate events/marketing that target individuals that the CDPH has identified higher risk of serious illness for COVID-19 ; provide additional opportunities throughout the venue for persons to reduce the spread of the virus through hand washing or sanitizing stations;
- **Theme Parks and Attractions** should ensure that social distancing of six feet per between those who are not members of the same household is maintained and make clear that members of the same household can participate in activities together, stand in line together etc.; limit attendance as necessary to reduce outdoor/indoor crowding and lines to meet social distancing guidance; increase cleaning and sanitizing frequency of restroom and other high contact areas; train employees on best hygiene practices including washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; increase spacing of show times to allow for more thorough cleaning of single room or space and social distancing during show times; provide additional opportunities throughout the venue for persons to reduce the spread of the virus through hand washing or sanitizing stations; eliminate events/marketing that target individuals that the CDPH has

identified as higher risk of serious illness for COVID-19; extend hours to allow for staggering of attendance; and add distance to locations individuals sit or stand around tables;

- **Gyms, health clubs, and theaters** should be closed;
- **All gatherings** (defined as any event or convening that brings together people in a single room or single space at the same time, such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, cafeteria, or any other indoor or outdoor space) should be postponed or cancelled, except for those defined as “essential,” meaning that they cannot be postponed or achieved without gathering, and that some other means of communication could not be used to conduct the essential function.
- **Face coverings**, such as scarves (dense fabric, without holes), bandanas, neck gaiters, or other fabric face coverings, should be worn by all persons over the age of two years at all times while inside of or waiting to enter any business or facility, while riding or waiting to ride any public or shared transportation, and at any other time when it is impossible to maintain a distance of six-feet between persons who are not members of a shared household. All persons, including Essential Workers are discouraged from using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), such as N95 masks, for non-medical reasons, because supply must be available to healthcare workers.

WHEREAS, the increasing threat posed by COVID-19 in Tulare County makes it advisable that the actions recommended in said guidance become mandatory in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of County of Tulare at least for the time being.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-15-1033 (b) and 1-15-1040 (b), and California Health and Safety Code sections 101040, 101085, and 120175, the Health Officer of the County of Tulare hereby orders as follows, which shall be effective immediately and remain in effect until such a time that it is terminated or modified by the County Public Health Officer in writing:

1. Definitions:

- a) Restaurant: Any establishment that sells food for consumption on-premises.
- b) Food Court: Any establishment that sells food for consumption on-premises in a shared setting with other establishments.
- c) Bar and tavern: Any establishment with the following types of California Alcoholic Beverage Control licenses:
 - 1) 40 - On Sale Beer (Bar, Tavern)
 - 2) 42 - On Sale Beer & Wine - Public Premises (Bar, Tavern)
 - 3) 48 - On Sale General - Public Premises (Bar, Night Club)
 - 4) 51 - Club
 - 5) 57 - Special On Sale General
 - 6) 60 - On Sale Beer - Seasonal
 - 7) 61 - On Sale Beer - Public Premises
- d) Food truck: Any “mobile food facility” within the meaning of the California Retail Food Code.
- e) Certified Farmers’ Market: A location that is certified by the State of California through the enforcement officers of the county agricultural commissioners and operated pursuant to Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section 47000) of Division 17 of the Food and Agricultural Code and regulations adopted pursuant to that chapter.
- f) Grocery Store: Any store primarily engaged in the retail sale of canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, and fresh meats, fish, and poultry and any area that is not separately owned within the store where food is prepared and served, including a bakery, deli, and meat and

seafood counter. "Grocery store" includes convenience stores.

- g) Charitable Food Distribution Site: A "food bank" or "limited service charitable feeding operation" within the meaning of the California Retail Food Code.
 - h) Gambling venue: Any cardroom, casino, or similar site where the primary goal of those assembled is the wagering of money or other things of value on events with uncertain outcomes, with the primary intent of winning money or material goods, and over which the Tulare County Public Health Officer has jurisdiction.
 - i) Entertainment and recreational venue: Any site where the primary goal of those assembled is to promote amusement, enjoyment, pleasure, recreation, diversion, relaxation, and other similar uses, including, but not limited to, theme parks, amusement parks, attractions, theaters, museums, roller rinks, skate parks, sports stadiums, bowling alleys, and the like.
 - j) Theme park: Any entertainment venue or amusement park in which rides, games, and buildings are based on a central theme.
 - k) Amusement Park: Any entertainment venue that features various attractions such as rides and games, as well as other events for entertainment purposes.
 - l) Attraction: Any place of interest where persons visit, typically for its inherent or exhibited natural or cultural value, historical significance, natural or built beauty, offering leisure and amusement.
 - m) Gym and Health Club: Any room or building used for various indoor sports or exercise activities, and usually equipped with exercise or gymnastic apparatus, locker and shower rooms, indoor or outdoor swimming pools, sports courts, and similar spaces.
 - n) Theater: Any entertainment venue used for housing dramatic presentations, stage entertainments, or motion-picture shows.
 - o) Church: Any site, with or without structures, the primary use of which is the assemblage of people for any religious worship, education, or expression.
 - p) Social gathering: Any event or convening that brings together people in a single room or single space at the same time, such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, cafeteria, or any other indoor or outdoor space.
 - q) Outdoor recreational activities: Any activity that can be done in an outside setting, including but not limited to, individual and group sports.
2. **Restaurants, Food Courts, and other establishments** that offer on-premises dining shall not allow consumption of food or beverages on-premises. Delivery, drive-thru, and pick-up options are allowed.
 3. **Bars and taverns** shall be closed.
 4. **Food Trucks** shall not allow consumption of food or beverages on or about the premises and shall increase the frequency of cleaning of menus, cash registers, receipt trays, condiment holders, writing instruments and other non-food contact surfaces frequently touched by patrons and employees; ensure that social distancing of six feet per person between those who are not members of the same household is maintained and make clear that members of the same household can participate together, stand in line together, etc., but limit the number of people in their lines. All employees of the Food Truck should wear an appropriate face covering at all times.
 5. **Certified Farmers' Markets** shall space booths accordingly to increase social distancing among patrons in line and walking about the market; ensure that social distancing of six feet per between those who are not members of the same household is maintained and make clear that members of the same household can participate in activities together, stand in line together, etc.; limit the number of customers at any given time as necessary to reduce outdoor/indoor crowding and lines to meet social distancing guidance; increase cleaning and sanitizing frequency of restroom and other high contact areas; train employees on best hygiene practices including washing their hands often with

soap and water for at least 20 seconds; offer additional hand washing or sanitizing stations throughout the venue; encourage activities such as pre-bagging to expedite purchasing; suspend sampling activities; increase frequency of cleaning of tables, payment devices, and other surfaces; eliminate non-essential/non-related services, such as bands or other entertainment; and at the end of the market, continue to utilize local food recovery systems to feed/donate extra products to populations in need. All persons providing essential services at a Farmers' Market should wear an appropriate face covering at all times.

6. **Grocery Stores and Charitable Food Distribution Sites** are allowed to remain fully open and operational, but must ensure that social distancing of six feet per person between those who are not members of the same household is maintained and make clear that members of the same household can participate in activities together, stand in line together, etc.; limit the number of customers at any given time as necessary to reduce outdoor/indoor crowding and lines to meet social distancing guidance; increase cleaning and sanitizing frequency of restroom and other high contact areas; and stores that have online ordering with outside pick-up or delivery options should encourage use of these when possible in lieu of indoor shopping. All employees of the grocery store or charitable food distribution site should wear an appropriate face covering at all times.
7. **All retail food, beverage, and other related service venues** shall remind employees of best hygiene practices including washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. All venues should require employees to wear an appropriate face covering at all times.
8. **Gambling venues** shall be closed.
9. **Entertainment and recreational venues**, including, but not limited to, theme parks, amusement parks, attractions, theaters, museums, roller rinks, skate parks, sports stadiums, bowling alleys, and the like, shall be closed.
10. **Gyms and health clubs** shall be closed;
11. **All social gatherings**, including, but not limited to church services, meetings of service and social clubs, conferences, conventions, and the like, shall be postponed or cancelled.
12. **Outdoor recreational activities** are permissible as long as it is feasible to maintain a safe physical distance of six feet and gather only with members of the same household at all times during said activity(ies). Individual outdoor recreational activities are permissible as long as it is feasible to maintain a safe physical distance of six feet at all times during said activity. Any outdoor group sports or activities shall be postponed or cancelled unless the sport or activity can be done individually or with members of the same household only. There should be no shared equipment between persons who are not members of the same household. Visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/#top>, Outdoor Recreation section for a list of requirements, specifically allowed activities, and further guidance from the state of California.
13. For those businesses closed under this Order, business owners, managers, and supervisory staff are allowed to be on site to conduct minimum basic operations, provided that they each observe the social distancing and best personal hygiene practices (including washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds) outlined above.
14. No County permits for special events shall be granted. All County permits for special events previously issued are revoked or postponed.
15. No temporary ABC licenses shall be authorized by the County.
16. For personal and public health and safety purposes, all residents of and visitors to Tulare County are strongly urged to practice social distancing of six feet per person when able to do so, wash their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, wear face coverings, such as scarves (dense fabric, without holes), bandanas, neck gaiters, or other fabric face coverings, at all times while inside of or waiting to enter any business or facility, while riding or waiting to ride any public or shared

transportation, and at any other time when it is impossible to maintain a distance of six-feet between persons who are not members of a shared household and follow all other guidance from public health officials with regard to the threat posed by COVID-19.

17. Each incorporated city within Tulare County is urged and requested to take such actions, if any, as may be reasonably necessary to permit this Order to be fully enforced within its respective jurisdiction.
18. The Public Health Branch of the Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, the Tulare County District Attorney's office, the Tulare County Counsel's office, and all other applicable County of Tulare Agencies, Departments, and Divisions are requested and directed to enforce this Order within their respective jurisdictions.
19. Pursuant to California Government Code section 26602, the Sheriff of Tulare County is requested to enforce this Order within the Sheriff's jurisdiction to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
20. Pursuant to California Government Code section 41601, the chiefs of the police departments of the Cities of Visalia, Tulare, Porterville, Dinuba, Exeter, Lindsay, Woodlake, and Farmersville are requested to enforce this Order within their respective jurisdictions to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
21. The Order shall be subject to amendment or repeal at any time and shall not be deemed to confer any contractual obligations, property rights, or assume any County or other public agency liability.
22. If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.
23. This Order shall be immediately translated into Spanish, and accommodations made for disabled persons to read its contents; it shall also be distributed to all local media and made prominently available on the County of Tulare's website.
24. Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 101029 and 120280, and Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-15-1040(b) and 125, violations of this Order shall be punishable as a misdemeanor upon conviction by a fine of not exceeding one thousand dollars or by imprisonment for a term of not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Time: 9:10am
Date: May 5, 2020

Issued by:



Karen Haught, MD
County Health Officer
County of Tulare
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Approved as to Form:
COUNTY COUNSEL

By
Deputy County Counsel
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May 7, 2020

Health Advisory Recommending Face Coverings for the Public and Essential Workers

This health advisory seeks to inform the public about the need for Face Coverings when outside the home for the prevention and source control of COVID-19.

Summary

- Tulare County Public Health urges the public to use Face Coverings while attending to essential activities in order to reduce the spread of COVID-19
- Individuals are asked to ensure effective use of Face Coverings by washing their hands after putting on and taking of the Face Covering
- Essential businesses and their employees are asked to utilize Face Coverings when providing services to the public
- Essential businesses are asked to post signage informing the public of the requirement to utilize Face Coverings

The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC"), California Department of Public Health ("CDPH"), and the Tulare County Public Health Branch ("TCPH") have recommended that members of the public, should cover the mouth and nose to prevent inadvertently spreading the virus that causes Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19"). One key transmission method for the COVID-19 virus is respiratory droplets that people expel when they breathe or sneeze. Individuals have been found to be infected with COVID-19 and not have any symptoms, meaning they are asymptomatic, but they can still be contagious. People can also be infected and contagious 48 hours before developing symptoms, the time when they are pre-symptomatic. Many people with the COVID-19 virus have mild symptoms and do not recognize they are infected and contagious, and they can unintentionally infect others. Therefore, the CDC, CDPH, and TCPH believe that wearing a face covering, when combined with physical distancing of at least 6 feet and frequent hand washing, may reduce the risk of transmitting coronavirus when in public and engaged in essential activities by reducing the spread of respiratory droplets. *For clarity, although wearing a face covering is one tool for reducing the spread of the virus, doing so is not a substitute for sheltering in place, physical distancing of at least 6 feet, and frequent hand washing.*

This Advisory requires that people wear Face Coverings in three main settings. First, members of the public must wear Face Coverings while inside of or waiting in line to enter Essential Businesses and other businesses or facilities engaged in Minimum Basic Operations, providing Essential Infrastructure, and providing Essential Government Functions (except Healthcare Operations, which are subject to different requirements), when seeking healthcare from Healthcare Operations, and when waiting for or riding on



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public transportation and other types of shared transportation. These settings are defined further below.

Second, this Advisory also requires employees, contractors, owners, and volunteers of all Essential Businesses or those operating public transportation and other types of shared transportation to wear a Face Covering when at work.

And third, this Advisory also requires workers engaged in Minimum Basic Operations, Essential Infrastructure work, and Essential Government Functions to wear a Face Covering in areas where the public is present or likely to be and at any time when others are nearby.

This Advisory does not require that any child aged twelve years or younger wear a Face Covering and recommends that any child aged two years or younger should not wear one because of the risk of suffocation. This Advisory also does not apply to people who are in their own cars alone or with members of their own household. It also does not require people wear Face Coverings while engaged in outdoor recreation such as hiking, bicycling, or running, though it does recommend that they have a Face Covering with them and still requires them to practice social distancing and other measures to protect against transmission of the virus.

Definition of Face Coverings

As used in this Advisory, a "Face Covering" means a covering made of cloth, fabric, or other soft or permeable material, without holes, that covers only the nose and mouth and surrounding areas of the lower face. A covering that hides or obscures the wearer's eyes or forehead is not a Face Covering. Examples of Face Coverings include a scarf or bandana; a neck gaiter; a homemade covering made from a t-shirt, sweatshirt, or towel, held on with rubber bands or otherwise; or a mask, which need not be medical-grade. A Face Covering may be factory-made, or may be handmade and improvised from ordinary household materials. The Face Covering should be comfortable, so that the wearer can breathe comfortably through the nose and does not have to adjust it frequently, so as to avoid touching the face. For as long as medical grade masks such as N95 masks and surgical masks are in short supply, members of the public should not purchase those masks as Face Coverings under this Advisory. In general, even when not required by this Advisory, people are strongly encouraged to wear Face Coverings when in public.

A video showing how to make a face covering and additional information about how to wear and clean Face Coverings may be found at the website of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>.

Effective Use

Face Coverings must be worn in such a manner as to contain respiratory droplets and minimize transmission of the virus via the hands. To achieve this, Face Coverings should fit snugly and be washed daily. Cloth Face Coverings can be safely cleaned in a washing machine or by hand as the materials



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permit. Individuals should be careful not to touch their eyes, nose, or mouth when removing their Face Coverings and wash their hands immediately after removing.

Members of the Public

All members of the public, except as specifically exempted below, must wear a Face Covering outside their home or other place they reside in the following situations:

1. When they are inside of, or in line to enter, any Essential Business, including, but not limited to, grocery stores, convenience stores, supermarkets, laundromats, and restaurants;
2. When they are inside or at any location or facility engaging in Minimum Basic Operations or seeking or receiving Essential Government Functions inside of any location or facility;
3. When they are engaged in Essential Infrastructure work
4. When they are obtaining services at Healthcare Operations— including hospitals, clinics, COVID-19 testing locations, dentists, pharmacies, blood banks and blood drives, other healthcare facilities, mental health providers, or facilities providing veterinary care and similar healthcare services for animals — unless directed otherwise by an employee or worker at the Healthcare Operation; or
5. When they are waiting for or riding on public transportation or paratransit or are in a taxi, private car service, or ride-sharing vehicle.

Essential Businesses and Infrastructure

All Essential Businesses, as well as entities and organizations with workers engaged in Essential Infrastructure work, Minimum Basic Operations, or Essential Government Functions (except for Healthcare Operations, which are subject to their own regulation regarding specified face coverings), must:

1. Require their employees, contractors, owners, and volunteers to wear a Face Covering at the workplace and when performing work off-site any time the employee, contractor, owner, or volunteer is:
 - a. interacting in person with any member of the public;
 - b. working in any space visited by members of the public, such as by way of example and without limitation reception areas, grocery store or pharmacy aisles, service counters, public restrooms, cashier and checkout waiting rooms, service areas, and other spaces used to interact with the public, regardless of whether anyone from the public is present at the time;
 - c. working in any space where food is prepared or packaged for sale or distribution to others;
 - d. working in or walking through common areas such as hallways, stairways, elevators, and parking facilities; or
 - e. in any room or enclosed area when other people (except for members of the person's own household or residence) are present.



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2. Take reasonable measures, such as posting signs, to remind their customers and the public of the requirement that they wear a Face Covering while inside of or waiting in line to enter the business, facility, or location. Essential Businesses and entities or organizations that engaged in Essential Infrastructure work or Minimum Basic Operations must take all reasonable steps to prohibit any member of the public who is not wearing a Face Covering from entering and must not serve that person if those efforts are unsuccessful and seek to remove that person.

For clarity, a Face Covering is not required when a person is in a personal office (a single room) when others outside of that person's household are not present as long as the public does not regularly visit the room.

Exceptions

1. Any child aged two years or less must not wear a Face Covering because of the risk of suffocation. This Order does not require that any child aged twelve years or less wear a Face Covering. Parents and caregivers must supervise use of Face Coverings by children to avoid misuse.
2. Wearing a Face Covering is recommended, but not required, while engaged in outdoor recreation such as hiking, bicycling, or running. But each person engaged in such activity must comply with social distancing requirements including maintaining at least six feet of separation from all other people. Because running or bicycling causes people to more forcefully expel airborne particles, making the usual minimum 6 feet distance less adequate, runners and cyclists must take steps to avoid exposing others to those particles, which include the following measures: wearing a Face Covering when possible; crossing the street when running to avoid sidewalks with pedestrians; slowing down and moving to the side when unable to leave the sidewalk and nearing other people; never spitting; and avoiding running or cycling directly in front of or behind another runner or cyclist who is not in the same household.
3. This Advisory does not require any person to wear a Face Covering while driving alone, or exclusively with other members of the same family or household, in a motor vehicle.
4. A Face Covering is also not required by this Advisory to be worn by a particular individual if the person can show either: (1) a medical professional has advised that wearing a Face Covering may pose a risk to the person wearing the mask for health-related reasons; or (2) wearing a Face Covering would create a risk to the person related to their work as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines. A Face Covering should also not be used by anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the Face Covering without assistance.

Conclusion

The intent of this Order is to ensure that all people who are visiting or working at Essential Businesses



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and all people who are seeking care at healthcare facilities or engaged in certain types of public transit or transportation with others wear a Face Covering to reduce the likelihood that they may transmit or receive the COVID-19 virus. The intent of this Advisory is also to ensure that people who work for or seek services from entities engaged in Essential Infrastructure work, Minimum Basic Operations, or Essential Government Functions also wear a Face Covering when they are in close proximity to others. In so doing, this Advisory will help reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus and mitigate the impact of the virus on members of the public and on the delivery of critical healthcare services to those in need. All provisions of this Advisory must be interpreted to effectuate this intent.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Haught".

Karen Haught MD, MPH
Health Officer of Tulare County

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EMERGENCY ORDER FOR THE PREVENTION OF NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) TRANSMISSION

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a state of Emergency now exists in the State of California due to the presence of and threat posed by the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the County Health Officer of the County of Tulare proclaimed and declared that a local health emergency now exists in the County of Tulare due to the presence of and threat posed by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors ratified said proclamation at its regular meeting of March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, said proclamation shall remain in effect until further notice; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Governor of the State of California issued Executive Order N-33-20, ordering that all Californians shelter in place to preserve public health and safety ("Shelter in Place Order"); and

WHEREAS, the Shelter in Place Order has been successful in slowing the transmission and infection rate of COVID-19 in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020 the County Health Officer of the County of Tulare issued an EMERGENCY ORDER FOR THE PREVENTION OF NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) TRANSMISSION IN OR ABOUT RESTAURANTS, BARS, FOOD TRUCKS, GROCERY STORES, AND OTHER RETAIL FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE VENUES, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATIONAL VENUES, GYMS, HEALTH CLUBS, THEATERS, CHURCHES, OTHER SOCIAL GATHERINGS, AND OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, which order was extended on April 8, 2020, and amended on May 5, 2020 (the "Amended Emergency Order"); and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2020, the State of California presented the Pandemic Roadmap, a four-stage plan for modifying the Shelter in Place Order, and defining the statewide current status under the plan as being at Stage 1; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2020, the State announced that entry into Stage 2 of the plan would begin on May 8, 2020 for all Counties, subject to certain conditions and certain guidance; and

WHEREAS, advancement within the Pandemic Roadmap by an individual County can be accomplished by meeting certain State-defined criteria and procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Pandemic Roadmap is designed to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in California while allowing parts of our state to safely reopen; and

WHEREAS, it is advisable that the State criteria, procedures, and guidance for the stages of the Pandemic

Roadmap become mandatory in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of County of Tulare.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-15-1033 (b) and 1-15-1040 (b), and California Health and Safety Code sections 101040, 101085, and 120175, the Health Officer of the County of Tulare hereby orders as follows, which shall be effective immediately and remain in effect until such a time that it is terminated or modified by the County Public Health Officer in writing:

1. **The Amended Emergency Order** is hereby terminated. Any previous Public Health Orders, other than the Emergency Declaration dated March 11, 2020, not previously terminated by the Amended Emergency Order are hereby terminated.
2. **The Shelter in Place Order**, the emergency orders of the State Public Health Director related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the State's Pandemic Roadmap and guidance issued with respect to the roadmap, as may be amended, modified, or supplemented from time-to-time by their makers, are hereby adopted as emergency orders of the County Health Officer of the County of Tulare and enforceable as such.
3. **Only** the activities and businesses authorized by the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap shall be allowed. The County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap can be found at <https://covid19.tularecounty.ca.gov/>.
4. **Bars, wineries, breweries and pubs** shall follow the State's guidelines and shall be closed until allowed under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
5. **Restaurants** shall follow the State's guidelines and shall be open only to drive-through or other pickup/delivery options and shall not open their in-restaurant seated dining nor allow consumption of food or beverages on-premises until allowed under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
6. **Food Trucks** shall follow the State's guidelines and shall not allow consumption of food or beverages on or about the premises until allowed under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
7. **Certified Farmers' Markets** shall follow the State's guidelines and shall space booths accordingly to increase social distancing and shall eliminate non-essential/non-related services, such as bands or other entertainment until allowed under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
8. **Gambling venues** shall follow the State's guidelines and shall be closed until allowed under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
9. **Entertainment and recreational venues**, including, but not limited to, theme parks, amusement parks, attractions, theaters, museums, roller rinks, skate parks, sports stadiums, bowling alleys, and the like, shall follow the State's guidelines and shall be closed until allowed under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
10. **Gyms and health clubs** shall follow the State's guidelines and shall be closed until allowed under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
11. **All social gatherings**, including, but not limited to church services, meetings of service and social

clubs, conferences, conventions, and the like, shall be postponed or cancelled until allowed under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.

12. **Outdoor recreational activities** shall be permissible as long as it is feasible to maintain a safe physical distance of six feet and gather only with members of the same household at all times during said activity(ies). Individual outdoor recreational activities are permissible as long as it is feasible to maintain a safe physical distance of six feet at all times during said activity. Any outdoor group sports or activities shall be postponed or cancelled unless the sport or activity can be done individually or with members of the same household only. There should be no shared equipment between persons who are not members of the same household. Visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/#top>, Outdoor Recreation section for a list of requirements, specifically allowed activities, and further guidance from the state of California. These social distancing requirements shall remain in place as they relate to Outdoor Recreation Activities until abolished under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
13. For those businesses closed under this Order, business owners, managers, and supervisory staff are allowed to be on site to conduct minimum basic operations, provided that they each observe the social distancing and best personal hygiene practices (including washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds) outlined above.
14. No County permits for special events shall be granted, all County permits for special events previously issued are revoked or postponed, and no temporary ABC licenses shall be authorized by the County until social gatherings are permitted under the County's current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap.
15. For personal and public health and safety purposes, all residents of and visitors to Tulare County are strongly urged to practice social distancing of six feet per person when able to do so, wash their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, wear face coverings, such as scarves (dense fabric, without holes), bandanas, neck gaiters, or other fabric face coverings, at all times while inside of or waiting to enter any business or facility, while riding or waiting to ride any public or shared transportation, and at any other time when it is impossible to maintain a distance of six-feet between persons who are not members of a shared household and follow all other guidance from public health officials with regard to the threat posed by COVID-19.
16. Each incorporated city within Tulare County is urged and requested to take such actions, if any, as may be reasonably necessary to permit this Order to be fully enforced within its respective jurisdiction.
17. The Public Health Branch of the Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, the Tulare County District Attorney's office, the Tulare County Counsel's office, and all other applicable County of Tulare Agencies, Departments, and Divisions are requested and directed to enforce this Order within their respective jurisdictions.
18. Pursuant to California Government Code section 26602, the Sheriff of Tulare County is requested to enforce this Order within the Sheriff's jurisdiction to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
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Cities of Visalia, Tulare, Porterville, Dinuba, Exeter, Lindsay, Woodlake, and Farmersville are requested to enforce this Order within their respective jurisdictions to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

20. The Order shall be subject to amendment or repeal at any time and shall not be deemed to confer any contractual obligations, property rights, or assume any County or other public agency liability.
21. If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.
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25. Pursuant to Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-23-1000 and 1-23-1015 violations of this Order shall be subject to an administrative fine or penalty.
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27. Current guidance related to the Pandemic Roadmap is located at <https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/>.
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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Time: 7:35am

Date: May 8, 2020

Issued by: 

Karen Haught, MD
County Health Officer
County of Tulare
Health & Human Services Agency
Public Health Branch

Approved as to Form:
COUNTY COUNSEL

By 
Deputy County Counsel

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TULARE COUNTY'S MULTI-STAGE APPROACH TOWARDS A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY

Epidemiologists and infectious disease experts agree that in the absence of strict social distancing, Tulare County numbers would once again surge. COVID-19 will continue to be a serious threat until there is an effective vaccine or more effective therapeutic treatments. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) experts estimate that we will not have a vaccine for COVID-19 until 2021, at the earliest. For the foreseeable future, living with COVID-19 is our new “normal”.

Living with this disease means finding ways for our community to return to work with COVID-19 still circulating. There is an emerging consensus that America's economy should open in stages with different parts of the economy and different aspects of public life reopening at different times will present a framework for a three-stage approach that reflects the state of the COVID-19 pandemic in Tulare County.

Over the last couple of weeks, California counties in coordination with the California Department of Public Health have worked extensively to create meaningful criteria that provides a solid framework to use when deciding to reopen local economies. Specifically, Tulare County has adopted four criteria to use as the means of determining the readiness of reopening our local economy. It is important to note that these criteria are aligned with other California Counties and the recommendations from the State, however, our readiness may be earlier or later than other counties due to our local situation.

The following four (4) criteria will need to be met simultaneously before moving to Stage 2, and then again before moving to Stage 3, and then once again before moving to Stage 4. Each of the following criteria has assessments and respective metrics that will be used to determine forward movement to the next Stage. However, if it is determined that there is a potential rebound or local outbreak, returning to an earlier Stage is probable.

- **(CASES) SUSTAINED REDUCTION OR STABILITY IN NEW CASES FOR 14 DAYS.** Tulare County agrees that movement towards reopening for Stage 2 should begin after 14 days of a sustained downward trend in COVID-19 positive cases.

Certain increases, such as an increase in active cases over the course of five days, would clearly be a cause for concern. However, exact judgements should reflect a precise understanding of local trends. If, for instance, public health departments identify a specific outbreak and are able to isolate COVID-positive cases and quarantine people who were in close contact quickly, movement towards greater reopening could continue, even with an increase in positive cases.

- **ADEQUATE DIAGNOSTIC TESTING CAPACITY AND RAPID TEST RESULTS. THE ABILITY TO TEST ALL INDIVIDUALS WITH COVID-19 SYMPTOMS (WITHIN A CERTAIN TIMEFRAME). SAME-DAY TESTING WIDELY AVAILABLE FOR HOSPITALIZED PATIENTS, HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND WORKERS IN ESSENTIAL ROLES, CLOSE CONTACTS OF CONFIRMED CASES, AND OUTPATIENTS WITH SYMPTOMS).** Expanding testing capacity and making testing broadly available is necessary to treat and control infection, and for detecting increases COVID-19 cases early.
- **PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT’S CAPACITY TO RAPIDLY INTERVIEW NEW CASES, IDENTIFY CLOSE CONTACTS, AND ENSURE THAT ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE ARE EFFECTIVE.** Public health surveillance must be strengthened to understand the spread of COVID-19 and rapidly detect outbreaks. Experts call for evidence of declining transmission for at least 14 days before there could be a move to a staged approach of reopening the economies. Tulare County must closely monitor the signs of COVID-19 spread. It must notice problems to avoid overcrowding of emergency departments or outbreaks among the higher risk.
- **HEALTH CARE SYSTEM CAPACITY TO RESPOND TO POTENTIAL SURGES.** Tulare County must ensure that the local healthcare system is out of crisis mode and able to handle potential new surges in patients, along with non-COVID-19 related services, prior to reopening the economy. Tulare County will continue to track and share information about the availability of hospital beds, ICU beds, ventilators, and personal protective equipment (PPE) in order to ensure that they are adequately available if cases surge, as modeled under a variety of assumptions. Data on available capacity should be assessed at a designated frequency. State stockpiles should be used to fill any deficiencies and there should be continuous monitoring of cases statewide to assure that capacity will not be exceeded.

GOALS AND LINKED METRICS TO CONSIDER WHEN MOVING BETWEEN STAGES

Goals	Metric
1. Containment Capacity	GOAL: Stable or decreasing COVID-19 infection rate METRIC: Low prevalence of disease - no more than 1 case per 10,000 people in last 14 days METRIC: No more than 1 death in last 14 days GOAL: Ability to test everyone who needs to be tested METRIC: Minimum daily testing volume of 1.5 per 1,000 residents METRIC: Testing availability for at least 75% of residents as measured by specimen collection sites within a 60-minute drive in rural areas
2. Case investigation and contact tracing	GOAL: The public health system has adequate infrastructure, processes, and workforce to reliably detect and safely isolate new cases, as well as follow up with individuals who have been in contact with positive cases METRIC: Sufficient staff allocated to contact tracing, at least 15 staff per 100,000 population

	METRIC: Availability of temporary housing units to shelter at least 15% of county residents experiencing homelessness
3. Health Care System Capacity	GOAL: Hospitals can quickly and independently supply sufficient PPE and critical medical equipment and can surge intensive care unit (ICU) capacity. METRIC: Ability to accommodate a minimum surge of 35% (combined for county) due to COVID-19 patients as well as providing usual care for non-COVID-19 patients.
4. Vulnerable Populations	GOAL: Ability to protect our vulnerable populations METRIC: Skilled nursing & other congregate living facilities have > 14-day supply of PPE and access to non-state sources for replenishing the supplies.

Potential Increased Community Transmission when Re-opening Public Spaces.

Opening public spaces will entail an increased risk of community transmission. Certain populations will be more at risk for serious consequences and mortality from contracting the disease. Those most at risk include:

- Healthcare workers, first responders and other essential workers in contact with the public;
- Older adults living in nursing homes, assisted living, and senior housing;
- Racial and ethnic minorities;
- Justice-involved populations;
- People experiencing homelessness; and,
- People with disabilities and living in state institutions, group homes, and other congregate settings.
- Pregnant individuals

Given the setting and circumstances of where these populations reside, targeted monitoring and interventions will be critical to protecting these communities. Tulare County must develop effective systems and policies that protect these populations so that it is less likely to experience outbreaks that can interrupt the gradual reopening of society.

Strong and Clear Communication and Public Engagement Plan.

Communication is an integral part during a crisis, and is even more important as Tulare County moves toward reopening. It is critical that public engagement is incorporated into the response plan to minimize the risk of misunderstanding, confusion, or protest by individuals who believe reopening should be either faster or slower. It is important that Tulare County evaluates the different needs, risk factors, and resources.

Rationale for a Multi-Stage Approach to Reopening

Developing a framework that thoughtfully guides decision making on key factors to reopen the economy is important. The framework must include an array of public health factors, including consistent communication related to COVID-19, data collection, defining measures to reassess readiness for opening, and anticipating the need to revert to tighter control measures. Additionally, criteria for moving between stages and defining the stages for reopening must be established. Equally important is building partnerships between public and private sectors to implement the plan.

This is the time to identify and share critical metrics and explain “the rules for reopening.” The most important message to convey in this period is that **the rate of transmission must decline or remain low to make it safe to proceed with plans to reopen local economies**. During this process, local governments should engage health care systems, schools and businesses to fine tune plans for a staged reopening and to clearly convey the steps that will be necessary.

Testing capacity should continue to expand; vulnerable populations should be identified and monitored. Businesses, schools, and healthcare facilities should develop written plans for how they will help prevent COVID-19 spread in their facilities. Policymakers should also examine disincentives to testing and isolation or quarantining, such as the fear that people who test positive or are quarantined could lose their jobs. Travel to and from areas that are experiencing significant disease should be discouraged or prohibited.

This stage should continue for the next two weeks. During this time, monitoring should indicate case numbers are declining. Based on COVID-19 case rate statistics by city and region, healthcare providers and health systems should demonstrate they can manage (with ICU beds, ventilators, PPE, nurse and physician staffing, and other metrics of capacity) no less than 1 week of new cases at the prior week case rate prior to progression between stages or to moving on to the first stage of reopening.

During this planning period, all non-essential businesses should remain closed and the Stay At Home Order remains in place. Except when performing essential services, citizens over age 65 and those with high risk factors need to remain vigilant and to shelter at home.

- Work from home should continue whenever possible, and cloth face coverings should be worn in public locations.
- Tulare County will work to accomplish all specific requirements listed above, including testing, tracking and quarantine strategies to identify cases and prevent transmission.
- All essential and non-essential businesses should begin preparations for later stages, and should be prepared to certify to the Health Department that they have written protocols, completed the social distancing and safety plan checklist and can reliably perform the following functions before advancing to later stages:

- Screen daily all employees for respiratory symptoms. Workers in close contact with each other should be screened daily with temperature checks as well. Business safety plans should clearly specify protocols for different categories.
- Advise employees with symptoms to remove themselves from the workplace and call healthcare provider for guidance. Establish policies and procedures to help employees who are required to by the healthcare provider to isolate or quarantine.
- Set expectations for frequent hand hygiene and wearing of cloth face coverings by employees where appropriate or able.
- Hand sanitizer should be placed throughout the business.

GUIDELINES FOR ALL STAGES

Individuals:

- **Continue to adhere to state and local guidance, in particularly with respect to face coverings.**
- **Continue to practice good hygiene**
 - Wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer, especially after touching frequently used items or surfaces.
 - Avoid touching your face
 - Sneeze or cough into a tissue, or the inside of your elbow.
 - Disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible
 - Using face coverings while in public, and particularly when using mass transit or carpools.
 - People who feel sick should stay home. Do not go to work or school.
 - Contact and follow the advice of your medical provider.
 - Practice social distancing

Employers: See guidance document for employers

- **Develop and implement appropriate policies, in accordance with Federal, State, and local regulations and guidance, and informed by industry best practices, regarding employee and customer protection**
- **Keeping the Workplace Safe**
- **Communicating with your team**
- **Preparing Your Space**
- **Cleaning and Disinfecting after opening**
- **Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)**
- **How Long COVID19 Lives on Surfaces**
- **5 Essential Actions for Individuals**

If positive improvement/stability of metrics for 14 days, move to STAGE 2

CURRENT STAGE/STAGE 1

Retail Stores	• Non-essential closed • Essential businesses must implement social distancing measures for all staff and customers • Face coverings required for customers • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible
Commercial Businesses/Offices	• Non-essential closed • Essential businesses must implement social distancing measures for all staff and customers • Face coverings required for customers • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible
Manufacturing	• Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible •
Restaurants & Bars Serving Food	• Online order and curbside pickup only • Face coverings required for customers • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible
Nail Salons, Hair Salons, Barber Shops, etc.	• Closed
Health Care, Dental, Optometry, etc.	• Essential and/or emergency services only • Implement social distancing measures for all customers • Face coverings required for customers • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible
Massage, Tattoo & Body Art, etc.	• Closed
Gyms, Fitness Centers, Public Pools, Community Pools, Interactive Water Features, Close Contact Sports, etc.	• Closed
Bars, Entertainment Venues, Community Events, etc.	• Closed
Faith Based Institutions	• Closed
Educational Institutions	• Closed
Public Spaces	•
All Residents	• Age 65+ and individuals with underlying conditions, stay home. All, work from home, if possible. Wear face covering and maintain 6 ft. social distancing when in public.

If positive improvement/stability of metrics for 14 days, move to STAGE 3/ If significant decrease in metrics return to Stage 1

STAGE 2: Lower Risk Workplaces

Retail Stores	• Online order and curbside pickup for non-essential businesses. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible
Commercial Businesses/Offices	• Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible
Manufacturing	• Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible.
Restaurants & Bars Serving Food	• Continue online order and curbside pickup only. No dine-in • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible
Nail Salons, Hair Salons, Barber Shops, etc.	• Closed
Health Care, Dental, Optometry, etc.	• Urgent or Emergent procedures only • Implement social distancing measures for all customers and between coworkers • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering
Massage, Tattoo & Body Art, etc.	• Closed
Gyms, Fitness Centers, Pubic Pools, Community Pools, Interactive Water Features (e.g. splash pads), Close Contact Sports, etc.	• Closed
Close Contact Sports	• Closed
Bars, Entertainment Venues, etc.	• Closed
Community Events (health fairs, cook-offs, etc.)	• Closed
Faith Based Institutions	• Closed
Educational Institutions, schools and organized youth	• Follow established guidelines for schools and child care facilities •

activities (day camp, summer camp)	
Senior Facilities (Skilled Nursing, Assisted Living, Long-term Living, etc.)	• Follow all established guidelines for all types of senior facilities • Implement social distancing measures. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible
Public Spaces	• All activities adhere to distancing and infection control protocols •
All Employers	• Continue to encourage work from home, if possible. Return to work in stages. Close common areas where personnel are likely to congregate or enforce strict social distancing protocols. Minimize non-essential travel. Consider special accommodations for personnel who are members of a vulnerable population.
All Residents	• Age 65+ and individuals with underlying conditions, stay home. All, if essential employee, work from home, if possible. Wear face covering when unable to continuously maintain 6 ft. social distancing when in public. Social gatherings should be in accordance with State guidance and be limited to immediate family. Minimize non-essential travel.

If positive improvement/stability of metrics for 14 days, move to STAGE 4 /if significant decrease in metrics, return to STAGE 2

STAGE 3: Higher Risk Workplaces

Retail Stores	• Open at 50% capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Commercial Businesses/Offices	• Open at 50% capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Manufacturing	• Employees screened daily and must wear face covering and maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public if possible.
Restaurants & Bars Serving Food	• With State Executive Order lifted, open at 50% seating capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Nail Salons, Hair Salons, Barber Shops, etc.	• Restricted to appointment only services. No walk-in customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.

Health Care, Dental, Optometry, etc.	• Routine and elective procedures for patients for all age groups. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Massage, Tattoo & Body Art, etc.	• Restricted to appointment only services. No walk-in customers. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Gyms, Fitness Centers, Public Pools, Community Pools, Interactive Water Features (e.g., splash pad), etc.	• Open at limited capacity while adhering to 6ft social distancing criteria. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Close Contact Sports	• Closed
Bars, Entertainment Venues, etc.	• Closed
Community Events (health fairs, cook-offs, etc.	• Closed
Faith Based Institutions (Churches & Weddings)	• Open at 50% capacity. • Implement social distancing measures. • Wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft. social distancing when in public.
Educational Institutions, school and organized youth activities (day camp, summer camp)	• Follow established CDPH and CDC guidelines for schools and child care
Senior Facilities (Skilled Nursing, Assisted Living, Long-term Living, etc.)	• Follow all established CDPH guidelines for all types of senior facilities • Implement social distancing measures. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Public Spaces	• All activities adhere to distancing and infection control protocols
All Employers	Close common areas where personnel are likely to congregate or enforce moderate social distancing protocols. Consider special accommodations for personnel who are members of the vulnerable populations.
All Residents	• Age 65+ and individuals with underlying conditions, stay home. Work from home, if possible. Wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft. social distancing when in public. Social gatherings should be in accordance with State guidance. Some non-essential travel may resume.

If significant decrease in metrics, return to STAGE 3

Stage 4: End of Stay at Home Order

Retail Stores	• Open at full capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Commercial Businesses	• Open at full capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Restaurants & Bars Serving Food	• Limited to State restrictive capacity. If no limitations, open at full capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Nail Salons, Hair Salons, Barber Shops, etc.	• Open at full capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Health Care, Dental, Optometry, etc.	• Routine and elective procedures for patients for all age groups. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Massage, Tattoo & Body Art, etc.	• Open at full capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Gyms, Fitness Centers, Pubic Pools, Community Pools, Interactive Water Features (e.g., splash pad), etc.	• Open at full capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Close Contact Sports	• Open at full capacity
Bars, Entertainment Venues, etc.	• Open at full capacity. • Implement social distancing measures for all customers. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Community Events (health fairs, cook-offs, etc.	• Open at full capacity • Implement social distancing measures. •

Faith Based Institutions	• Open at full capacity. • Implement social distancing measures. • Wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Senior Facilities (Skilled Nursing, Assisted Living, Long-term Living, etc.)	• Follow all established CDPH guidelines for all types of senior facilities • Implement social distancing measures. • Employees screened daily and must wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing from co-workers and the public.
Educational Institutions, schools and organized youth activities (day camp, summer camp)	• Open • Implement social distancing measures. • Wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing when in public.
All Employers	• Resume unrestricted staffing of worksites
All Residents	• Age 65+ and individuals with underlying conditions can resume public interactions, but should practice social distancing, minimize social settings where distancing may not be practiced. Wear face covering if unable to continuously maintain 6 ft social distancing when in public. Social gatherings should be in accordance with State guidance.

Conclusion

The threat of COVID-19 will be with us for the foreseeable future. There is a high probability that Tulare County will experience continued outbreaks that will force us to revert to earlier stages at some point during the reopening process. Now is the time to build capacity and create partnerships, across our county with employers, nonprofits, and community groups, to respond effectively to this challenge. This is also the time to provide clear guidance and an evidence-based framework for reopening our local economy.

Discussions with the state and federal government will continue with the purpose of redefining essential v. nonessential sectors. Instead of classifying businesses and industries as essential vs. non-essential, moving towards the terminology of “lower risk” vs “higher risk” operations may be more viable. This will allow all businesses to begin working on plans that focus on safety and are designed to lower the risk of COVID-19 transmission to their workers and customers. Examples of “low-risk” activities that are currently deemed non-essential: 1) Bookstores: could be lower risk if they limited the number of people that enter the store and took precautions to protect the clerks; Examples of “higher-risk” activities could include hair salons and tattoo shops where there is longer close personal contact.

**County of Tulare
Health & Human Services Agency
Public Health Branch**

Health Officer
5957 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277 559-624-8480



**AMENDED EMERGENCY ORDER FOR THE PREVENTION OF
NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) TRANSMISSION**

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a state of Emergency now exists in the State of California due to the presence of and threat posed by the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the County Health Officer of the County of Tulare proclaimed and declared that a local health emergency now exists in the County of Tulare due to the presence of and threat posed by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors ratified said proclamation at its regular meeting of March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, said proclamation shall remain in effect until further notice; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Governor of the State of California issued Executive Order N-33-20, in conjunction with the ORDER OF THE STATE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER dated the same day, ordering that all Californians shelter in place to preserve public health and safety ("Shelter in Place Order"); and

WHEREAS, the Shelter in Place Order has been successful in slowing the transmission and infection rate of COVID-19 in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020 the County Health Officer of the County of Tulare issued an EMERGENCY ORDER FOR THE PREVENTION OF NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) TRANSMISSION IN OR ABOUT RESTAURANTS, BARS, FOOD TRUCKS, GROCERY STORES, AND OTHER RETAIL FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE VENUES, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATIONAL VENUES, GYMS, HEALTH CLUBS, THEATERS, CHURCHES, OTHER SOCIAL GATHERINGS, AND OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, which order was extended on April 8, 2020, and amended on May 5, 2020 (the "Emergency Order Amended May 5, 2020"); and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2020, the State of California presented the Pandemic Roadmap, a four-stage plan for modifying the Shelter in Place Order, and defining the statewide current status under the plan as being at Stage 1; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2020, the State announced that entry into Stage 2 of the plan would begin on May 8, 2020 for all Counties, subject to certain conditions and certain guidance; and

WHEREAS, advancement within the Pandemic Roadmap by an individual County can be accomplished by meeting certain State-defined criteria and procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Pandemic Roadmap is designed to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in California while allowing parts of our state to safely reopen; and

WHEREAS, compliance with the State criteria, procedures, and guidance for the stages of the Pandemic Roadmap is mandatory in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of County of Tulare.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-15-1033 (b) and 1-15-1040 (b),

and California Health and Safety Code sections 101040, 101085, and 120175, the Health Officer of the County of Tulare hereby orders as follows, which shall be effective immediately and remain in effect until such a time that it is terminated or modified by the County Public Health Officer in writing:

1. **The Emergency Order Amended May 5, 2020** is hereby terminated. Any previous Public Health Orders, other than the Emergency Declaration dated March 11, 2020, not previously terminated by the Emergency Order Amended May 5, 2020, are hereby terminated.
2. **The Shelter in Place Order**, the emergency orders of the State Public Health Director related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the State's Pandemic Roadmap and guidance issued with respect to the roadmap, as they may be amended, modified, or supplemented from time-to-time by their makers, are hereby adopted as emergency orders of the County Health Officer of the County of Tulare and enforceable as such.
3. **Only** the activities and businesses authorized by the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap shall be allowed. The current stage of the Pandemic Roadmap and current guidance related to the Pandemic Roadmap can be found at: <https://covid19.tularecounty.ca.gov/covid-19-updates-and-situation-in-tulare-county/>.
4. **Bars, wineries, breweries and pubs** shall follow all restrictions, closures, and guidelines under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
5. **Restaurants** shall follow all restrictions, closures, and guidelines under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
6. **Food Trucks** shall follow all restrictions, closures, and guidelines under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
7. **Certified Farmers' Markets** shall follow all restrictions, closures, and guidelines under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
8. **Gambling venues** shall follow all restrictions, closures, and guidelines under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
9. **Entertainment and recreational venues**, including, but not limited to, theme parks, amusement parks, attractions, theaters, museums, roller rinks, skate parks, sports stadiums, bowling alleys, and the like, shall follow all restrictions, closures, and guidelines under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
10. **Gyms and health clubs** shall follow all restrictions, closures, and guidelines under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
11. **All social gatherings**, including, but not limited to church services, meetings of service and social clubs, conferences, conventions, and the like, shall be postponed or cancelled until allowed under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
12. **Outdoor recreational activities** shall be permissible as long as it is feasible to maintain a safe physical distance of six feet and gather only with members of the same household at all times during said activity(ies). Individual outdoor recreational activities are permissible as long as it is feasible to maintain a safe physical distance of six feet at all times during said activity. Any outdoor group sports or activities shall be postponed or cancelled unless the sport or activity can be done individually or

with members of the same household only. There should be no shared equipment between persons who are not members of the same household. Visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/#top>, Outdoor Recreation section for a list of requirements, specifically allowed activities, and further guidance from the state of California. These social distancing requirements shall remain in place as they relate to Outdoor Recreation Activities until abolished under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.

13. For those businesses closed under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap, business owners, managers, and supervisory staff are allowed to be on site to conduct minimum basic operations, provided they follow all guidance from public health officials to reduce the spread of COVID-19, including social distancing and hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
14. No County permits for special events shall be granted, all County permits for special events previously issued are revoked or postponed, and no temporary ABC licenses shall be authorized by the County until social gatherings are permitted under the current stage of the State's Pandemic Roadmap.
15. For personal and public health and safety purposes, all residents of and visitors to Tulare County are strongly urged to practice social distancing of six feet per person when able to do so, wash their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, wear face coverings, such as scarves (dense fabric, without holes), bandanas, neck gaiters, or other fabric face coverings, at all times while inside of or waiting to enter any business or facility, while riding or waiting to ride any public or shared transportation, and at any other time when it is impossible to maintain a distance of six-feet between persons who are not members of a shared household and follow all other guidance from public health officials with regard to the threat posed by COVID-19.
16. This Order may be enforced pursuant to California law, including, but not limited to Government Code sections 26602, 41601, and 8665 to prevent the spread of Covid-19.
17. Each incorporated city within Tulare County is permitted to take such actions, if any, as may be reasonably necessary to permit this Order to be fully enforced within its respective jurisdiction. Pursuant to California Government Code section 41601, the chiefs of the police departments of the Cities of Visalia, Tulare, Porterville, Dinuba, Exeter, Lindsay, Woodlake, and Farmersville may enforce this Order within their respective jurisdictions to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
18. The Public Health Branch of the Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency, the Tulare County District Attorney's office, the Tulare County Counsel's office, and all other applicable County of Tulare Agencies, Departments, and Divisions are permitted to enforce this Order within their respective jurisdictions.
19. Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 101029 and 120280, and Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-15-1040(b) and 125, violations of this Order may be punishable as a misdemeanor upon conviction by a fine of not exceeding one thousand dollars or by imprisonment for a term of not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
20. Pursuant to Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 4-01-1070 and 4-01-1315, violations of this Order may be considered a public nuisance.
21. Pursuant to Tulare County Ordinance Code sections 1-23-1000 and 1-23-1015 violations of this Order may be subject to an administrative fine or penalty.

22. The Order shall be subject to amendment or repeal at any time and shall not be deemed to confer any contractual obligations, property rights, or assume any County or other public agency liability.
23. If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.
24. This Order shall be immediately translated into Spanish, and accommodations made for disabled persons to read its contents; it shall also be distributed to all local media and made prominently available at <https://covid19.tularecounty.ca.gov/>.
25. All open businesses, facilities, retail food, and other venues shall ensure social distancing of six feet per person between those who are not members of the same household, limit the number of customers at any given time as necessary to reduce outdoor/indoor crowding and lines to meet social distancing guidance, increase cleaning and sanitizing frequency of all contact areas, encourage use of online ordering with curbside pickup or delivery options in lieu of indoor shopping, and remind employees of guidance from public health officials to reduce the spread of COVID-19, including washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and wearing appropriate face covering when necessary. Any business, facility, retail food, and other venue may create an individual policy restricting entry of patrons not wearing masks.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Time: 8:00am
Date: May 18, 2020

Issued by: 

Karen Haught, MD
County Health Officer
County of Tulare
Health & Human Services Agency
Public Health Branch

Approved as to Form:
COUNTY COUNSEL

By 
Deputy County Counsel

Matter No. 2020217

Roadmap to Recovery

STAGE ONE

- Stay at Home Order
- Planning for Recovery

STAGE TWO (Low Risk Businesses)

- Curbside retail:
 - Bookstores
 - Jewelry stores
 - Clothing stores
 - Shoe stores
 - Home furnishing
 - Sporting goods
 - Florists
- Car washes
- Pet grooming
- Landscape gardening
- Shopping malls
- Dine-in restaurants
- Schools
- Office-based businesses
- Childcare facilities
- Outdoor museums and open gallery spaces
- Outdoor recreational activities
 - Parks
 - Trails
 - Golf Courses
 - Lakes

STAGE THREE (High Risk Businesses)

- Personal services such as: nail salons, tattoo parlors, gyms and fitness studios
- Bars and lounges
- Indoor museums, gallery spaces, zoos, and libraries
- Community centers, public pools, playgrounds, and picnic areas
- Religious services and cultural ceremonies
- Hotels/lodging for leisure and tourism

STAGE FOUR (End of Stay at Home Order)

LATER

- Entertainment venues
- Large conventions
- Sporting and spectator events
- Concerts
- Convention Centers

For more information please visit
covid19.tularecounty.ca.gov and
covid19.ca.gov



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June 18, 2020

GUIDANCE FOR THE USE OF FACE COVERINGS

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This document updates existing [CDPH guidance](#) for the use of cloth face coverings by the general public when outside the home. It mandates that face coverings be worn state-wide in the circumstances and with the exceptions outlined below. It does not substitute for existing guidance about social distancing and handwashing.

Guidance

People in California must wear face coverings when they are in the high-risk situations listed below:

- Inside of, or in line to enter, any indoor public space;¹
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- Waiting for or riding on public transportation or paratransit or while in a taxi, private car service, or ride-sharing vehicle;
- Engaged in work, whether at the workplace or performing work off-site, when:
 - Interacting in-person with any member of the public;
 - Working in any space visited by members of the public, regardless of whether anyone from the public is present at the time;

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² Unless directed otherwise by an employee or healthcare provider



- Working in any space where food is prepared or packaged for sale or distribution to others;
- Working in or walking through common areas, such as hallways, stairways, elevators, and parking facilities;
- In any room or enclosed area where other people (except for members of the person's own household or residence) are present when unable to physically distance.
- Driving or operating any public transportation or paratransit vehicle, taxi, or private car service or ride-sharing vehicle when passengers are present. When no passengers are present, face coverings are strongly recommended.
- While outdoors in public spaces when maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet from persons who are not members of the same household or residence is not feasible.

The following individuals are exempt from wearing a face covering:

- Persons age two years or under. These very young children must not wear a face covering because of the risk of suffocation.
- Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering. This includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance.
- Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
- Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.
- Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose or face for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
- Persons who are seated at a restaurant or other establishment that offers food or beverage service, while they are eating or drinking, provided that they are able to maintain a distance of at least six feet away from persons who are not members of the same household or residence.
- Persons who are engaged in outdoor work or recreation such as swimming, walking, hiking, bicycling, or running, when alone or with household members, and when they are able to maintain a distance of at least six feet from others.

- Persons who are incarcerated. Prisons and jails, as part of their mitigation plans, will have specific guidance on the wearing of face coverings or masks for both inmates and staff.

Note: Persons exempted from wearing a face covering due to a medical condition who are employed in a job involving regular contact with others should wear a non-restrictive alternative, such as a face shield with a drape on the bottom edge, as long as their condition permits it.

Background

What is a cloth face covering?

A cloth face covering is a material that covers the nose and mouth. It can be secured to the head with ties or straps or simply wrapped around the lower face. It can be made of a variety of materials, such as cotton, silk, or linen. A cloth face covering may be factory-made or sewn by hand or can be improvised from household items such as scarfs, T-shirts, sweatshirts, or towels.

How well do cloth face coverings work to prevent spread of COVID-19?

There is scientific evidence to suggest that use of cloth face coverings by the public during a pandemic could help reduce disease transmission. Their primary role is to reduce the release of infectious particles into the air when someone speaks, coughs, or sneezes, including someone who has COVID-19 but feels well. Cloth face coverings are not a substitute for physical distancing, washing hands, and staying home when ill, but they may be helpful when combined with these primary interventions.

When should I wear a cloth face covering?

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How should I care for a cloth face covering?

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- Cannot stay on the face
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ORDINANCE NO. 1874

**AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE REQUIRING THE USE OF
FACE COVERINGS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS SET
BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) considers to be a very serious public health threat with outcomes ranging from mild to severe sickness and death;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has been found to be easily transmissible from person to person;

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services declared a public emergency for COVID-19 beginning on January 27, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency in the State of California due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State;

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2020, Tulare County declared an emergency, thus enabling the County to take extraordinary measures;

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, due the actions of the Federal and State Governments, and due to the presence of confirmed cases in Tulare County and the Porterville area, the Porterville City Council adopted Resolution No. 22-2020, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Porterville to Proclaim the Existence of a Local Emergency;

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2020, the California Department of Public Health issued Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings, which mandates that face coverings be worn state-wide in certain settings and circumstances;

WHEREAS, as of July 7, 2020, Tulare County remains on the State of California Covid-19 “watch list,” due to continuing spread of the disease in the County, including in the Porterville area;

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2020, the Porterville City Council ordered that the face covering requirements of the State be enforced within the City via the City’s administrative citation regulations and through aggressive education efforts, and directed that an urgency ordinance be prepared consistent with the order;

WHEREAS, the City of Porterville is authorized to enforce the state-wide order concerning Face Coverings pursuant to the California Constitution, Porterville City Charter Section 4, and applicable State laws and City regulations; and

WHEREAS, substantial scientific evidence shows that when combined with physical distancing and other health and safety practices such as hand washing and the regular disinfection of surfaces, wearing Face Coverings will assist in allowing additional business and other activities

to be resumed in the safest way possible, and will help protect Porterville's community members and in particular those that are most vulnerable due to age or health conditions;

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE does ordain as follows:

Section 1. The provisions of this urgency ordinance are necessary for the immediate preservation of the health and safety of the public; will help protect all community members who live, work and are present in the City of Porterville; and will assist in state-wide efforts to mitigate the spread of Covid-19.

Section 2. Individuals, while in the City of Porterville, are required to comply with all guidance within the California Department of Public Health's "Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings," (hereinafter "Face Covering Requirements") as currently set forth and as may be further revised by the State of California. A copy of the Face Covering Requirements, released June 18, 2020, and revised on June 29, 2020, is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

Section 3. Businesses operating in the City of Porterville are required to comply with all applicable Industry Guidance issued by the California Department of Public Health, which incorporate the Face Covering Requirements.

Section 4. The City is authorized to utilize education efforts in any effort to gain cooperation and compliance with the Face Covering Requirements;

Section 5. City staff is further authorized to engage in code enforcement efforts to remedy violations of the Face Covering Requirements. Violations of these requirements are punishable as permitted by State law. Furthermore, the City is hereby authorized to enforce violations of the requirements pursuant to its Administrative Citation regulations set forth in Chapter 2, Article 14, Sections 2-141 through 2-155 of the Porterville Municipal Code.

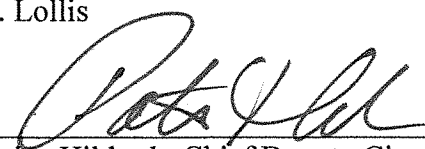
Section 6. This Ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21080(b) (4).

Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption by at least a 4/5 vote of the all members of the Porterville City Council, pursuant to Section 13 of the Porterville City Charter.

THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE was approved by the City Council of the City of Porterville, State of California, on July 21, 2020 at a regular meeting of said Council duly and regularly convened.


Martha A. Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:
John D. Lollis

By: 
Patrice Hildreth, Chief Deputy City Clerk

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CITY OF PORTERVILLE) (SS)
COUNTY OF TULARE)

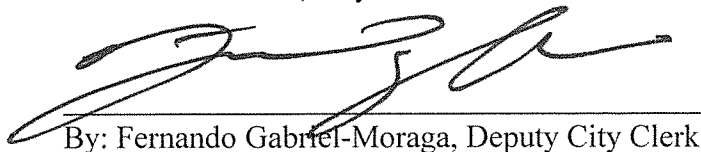
I, JOHN D. LOLLIS, the duly qualified City Clerk of the City of Porterville do hereby certify:

THAT the foregoing ordinance is a true and correct copy of Urgency Ordinance No. 1874, passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Porterville at a regular meeting held on the 21st day of July, 2020, that said ordinance has been duly published pursuant to law, and that by the terms and provisions of the Charter of the City of Porterville, said ordinance to be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption.

THAT said ordinance was introduced by Council and the same was duly passed and adopted by the following vote:

COUNCIL:	PEÑALOZA	REYES	FLORES	STOWE	GURROLA
AYES:	X	X	X	X	X
NOES:					
ABSTAIN:					
ABSENT:					

JOHN D. LOLLIS, City Clerk



By: Fernando Gabriel-Moraga, Deputy City Clerk



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State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
California Department of Public Health



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor

Released June 18, 2020

- Revised on June 29, 2020 to clarify that children under two years old are exempt from wearing face coverings due to risk of suffocation

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City of Porterville

Guidelines for Expanded Outdoor Dining During Covid-19



Preface

The City of Porterville has developed these guidelines for outdoor dining to assist our restaurant businesses in providing expanded seating capacity in the public right-of-way and on private spaces for in-person restaurant dining as allowed for by the State of California and Tulare County COVID-19 Health Orders (Health Orders). These guidelines are temporary in nature and will only be in place during this time of restricted restaurant operations or up until January 31, 2021, *whichever occurs earlier*.

The City of Porterville will be allowing restaurants to utilize sidewalks, public parking spaces, and/or in parking spaces in privately owned shopping centers, for the purposes of providing outdoor dining areas. Specific restrictions and guidelines for each of these locations are outlined in this guidebook.

State of California

Effective as of June 6, 2020, the State of California is permitting outdoor dining. General requirements include, but are not limited to:

- The establishment a written, workplace-specific COVID-19 prevention plan. State of California COVID-19 Industry Guidelines for Dine-In Restaurants can be currently found at <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-outdoor-restaurants--en.pdf>. Facilities that open for outdoor dining must offer curbside pickup, takeaway, and/or delivery service alternatives. Lines for pickup or takeaway must be in a separate area from the outdoor dining area to prohibit patrons from unnecessarily accessing the outdoor dining area.
- *Pursuant to State licensing*, alcohol may be sold to patrons in conjunction with a meal, but it may not be sold independently, and bar areas must remain closed to customers.
- Patrons are required to wear a face covering except when sitting at a table.

Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Dining Permit

The City has developed a no-fee streamlined encroachment permit application for temporary outdoor dining. The intent of this permit is to be temporary in nature and to be in place only during the Health Orders restrictions on restaurant operations or up until January 31, 2021, *whichever occurs earlier*.

The following documents are required in order to process a permit for outdoor seating in the City of Porterville:

- Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Dining Permit Application
- Certificate of Liability Insurance and Endorsements
- Site Plan diagram of proposed outdoor dining lay-out

The Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Dining Permit application is available on the City's website (<https://www.ci.porterville.ca.us>).

General Guidelines for all Outdoor Dining Areas

The following general guidelines apply to all areas:

- **Adequate Clearance for Social Distancing.** Any outdoor table and seating must maintain a minimum sidewalk clearance and/or pedestrian through zone of 6-feet from any physical obstruction to allow pedestrians to maintain adequate social distancing when passing by patrons seated at a table. The physical obstruction includes light poles, fire hydrants, trees, or other barriers and entryways or display window of adjacent businesses, unless authorized by the adjacent business.
- **Seating Area Allowance for Social Distancing.** The seating provided shall allow for patrons to maintain a minimum 6-foot social distance from the nearest group of other patrons seated in the same area.
- In addition to the cleaning and sanitary measures, tables must be arranged to ensure that no customer is sitting within six feet of any other customer at a separate table.
- Patrons at a single table are limited to no more than six, and they must be from the same household or living unit.
- **ADA Compliance.** Outdoor seating areas must comply with all requirements of the California Building Code, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and provide sufficient clearance and walkway space to allow safe access and egress. Restaurants must ensure that a minimum 3-foot ADA path of travel is maintained throughout the areas for patrons to access tables provided.
- **Temporary Fixtures.** Tables, seating, umbrellas, heating lamps, planters, platforms or flooring shall achieve California Building Code and ADA compliance, and any approved physical barriers to mark the seating area are the only items permitted in the public right-of-way. These items must be designed to be weighted down for wind protection, removable, and minimize tripping hazards.
- **Alcohol Service.** Restaurants and food establishments licensed by the State of California will be permitted to sell and allow on-premise consumption of alcoholic beverages. Alcohol service is only allowed under full-service conditions and alcoholic beverages consumed in the outdoor dining premises are not allowed to be provided in to-go containers. Establishments that serve alcoholic beverages in the outdoor dining area shall be required to meet all requirements of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and any other federal, state, or local laws and regulations governing the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages. Visit the ABC website for their specific COVID-19 regulatory updates.
- **No Outdoor Food Preparation.** Outdoor food preparation is not permitted. No heating, cooking or open flames are permitted in the outdoor dining space or public rights-of-way.
- **Amplification of noise.** Amplification of music or other sounds is generally prohibited for these temporary uses, and for any proposed use of amplified music or an intercom system, if allowed an amplification permit will be required. The application may be found at the following location: <http://www.ci.porterville.ca.us/depts/ParksandLeisure/documents/OutsideAmplifierPermit.pdf>

Music volume must be adjusted so that workers can maintain social distance from customers to hear orders.

- **Site Maintenance.** Outdoor seating areas shall be maintained free of litter, refuse and debris. The area shall be scrubbed and mopped to remove any food or drink stains on a daily basis by the permittee. Such cleaning shall be in accordance with the City's Storm Water Management and Discharge Control Program, which prohibits any discharge other than storm water into the storm water drainage system.

- **Tents or Shade Structures.** Umbrellas and other decorative material shall be fire-retardant, pressure-treated or manufactured of fire-resistant material. No portion of an umbrella shall be less than six (6) feet, eight (8) inches (eighty (80) inches) above the sidewalk. Tents or any structures shall be installed in an *approved* manner that is inspected by both the Fire Department and the Building Division prior to being occupied. The use of tents or shade structures in excess of 400 square feet will require coordination with and approval from the Porterville Fire Department. To request more information contact (559) 782-7526.
- **Space Heaters.** Space heaters are permitted if they are an outdoor approved type, are located in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and California Fire Code, and are located at least two (2) feet from the edge of any umbrella canvas, any foliage, or any other flammable object or material. Use will require coordination with and approval from the Porterville Fire Department. To request more information contact (559) 782-7526.
- **Hours of Operation.** The outdoor dining areas shall adhere to the same approved hours of operation as the existing restaurant
- **Lighting.** Temporary outdoor lighting in compliance with the Porterville Development Ordinance is allowed. Lighting shall be turned off whenever the restaurant is closed and/or the outdoor dining area is not in use.
- **Removal of Items.** All items installed to support outdoor dining shall be temporary in nature and removed at such the time the City so orders. Upon removal of these items, the site shall be restored to its previous condition within 48 hours.
- **Restrooms.** Restaurant patrons shall have access to the restroom(s) affiliated with the subject restaurant.

Sidewalk Dining Areas

Sidewalk dining involves the placement of tables and chairs in the public sidewalk area. Businesses may request the closure of sidewalk immediately adjacent to the restaurant with Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Dining Permit. Furthermore, Businesses may request the closure of on-street public parking spots directly adjacent to the business frontage, for use as a buffer or extended entrance area (no dining in on-street parking spots is permitted).

The following specific conditions apply to these areas:

Restaurants using these areas will need to provide their own furniture for use of by the patrons and will be responsible for securing their furniture when not in use.

Restaurants that are providing alcohol service must meet all requirements of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and any other federal, state, or local laws and regulations governing the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages.

- **Signage** – when sidewalk and/or on-street parking closure is requested, the applicant shall provide detour signage to ensure pedestrians are made aware of alternative routes.
- The applicant shall notify all residents and businesses that will be affected by the sidewalk or on-street parking closure.
- **Barricades** - All parking stalls adjacent to the sidewalk dining areas shall be closed and have barricades as provided by the City of Porterville.

Public Parking Dining Areas

The City is providing the opportunity to restaurants in the Downtown District to request outdoor dining in portions of the public parking lots located near restaurants.

The following specific conditions apply to these areas:

- Restaurants using these areas will need to provide their own furniture for use by the patrons and will be responsible for securing their furniture when not in use.
- Barricades must be used to protect patrons from vehicular traffic and shall be provided by the City of Porterville.
- Restaurants that are providing alcohol service must meet all requirements of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and any other federal, state, or local laws and regulations governing the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Private Parking Lot Dining Areas

Private parking lot areas refer to shopping centers, strip malls, and stand-alone commercial properties that have their own designated parking areas. The City of Porterville is temporarily suspending requirements restricting the provision of outdoor dining, minimum parking standards as codified in Municipal Code **, and planning application conditions of approval related to parking and outdoor dining with an approved Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Dining Permit. Suspending these requirements will temporarily allow restaurants to provide outdoor dining in their respective private parking lots. Arrangements for outdoor dining must be worked out with and agreed to by the property owner for each location. The City shall not be a party to discussions or arrangements concerning the leasing or use of outdoor space on private property.

The following specific conditions apply to these areas:

- Restaurants must have the written permission of the property owner in order to use the parking space areas.
- The parking lots must still comply with all California Building Code and ADA standards, including ADA paths of travel and adequate provision of handicapped parking spaces pursuant to California Building Code Section 11B.
- Restaurants that are providing alcohol service must meet all requirements of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and any other federal, state, or local laws and regulations governing the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages.
- Access to fire hydrants, fire hose connections for sprinkler systems, and entrances and exits of all buildings shall not be obstructed at any time by barriers or seating. The twenty (20) feet fire lane shall not be obstructed at any time. There shall be a minimum of forty (40) inches in distance separating the edge of a table or chair to a fire department connection.
- Consideration should be given to maintaining adequate parking supply on-site to prevent spillover parking in adjacent residential areas
- Seating areas shall occupy a specifically approved and defined location that does not disrupt the normal function of the site or its circulation. The area shall be located outside of any fire lane or fire access way.

For More Information:

For Questions or additional information regarding these Outdoor Dining Guidelines or the Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Dining Encroachment Permit application, please contact:

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Sandra Shewry
Acting Director

State of California—Health and Human
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**California Department of
Public Health**



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor

September 28, 2020

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TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: Outdoor Playgrounds and other Outdoor Recreational Facilities

Summary

COVID-19 continues to pose a severe risk to communities and requires all people in California to follow necessary precautions and to adapt the way they live and function in light of this ongoing risk. This guidance provides direction on usage of outdoor playgrounds and outdoor recreational facilities (hereafter facilities), to support a safe environment for children and families. It applies to outdoor playgrounds located in parks, campgrounds, and other publicly accessible locations. This guidance does not apply to indoor playgrounds or family entertainment centers.

Outdoor Playground Definition:

- Fully outdoors
- Publicly accessible
- Free to enter and use
- Operated by a city, state, county, or federal government
- Designed primarily to serve nearby residents within a half a mile
- Can provide State-mandated outdoor space for preschools (which could be scheduled in advance to avoid overlapping use)
- Typically includes recreational equipment, like play structures, slides, swings, etc. intended to enrich children's physical health and development

Visitors to outdoor community playgrounds must comply with the following requirements:

1. Face masks over the mouth and nose are required for everyone 2 years of age or older with caregiver supervision at all times to ensure face mask use.
2. Do not use the playground when different households are unable to maintain a physical distance of 6 feet or when the capacity limit has been reached.
3. Caregivers must monitor to keep adults and children from different households at least 6 feet apart.
4. Consider coming on different times or days to avoid wait times and potential crowded times.
5. No eating or drinking in playground, to ensure face masks are worn at all times.
6. Wash or sanitize hands before and after using the playground.
7. Elderly and persons with underlying medical conditions should avoid playground when others are present.

8. Limit visit to 30 min per day when others are present

Note: Facility operators should download and print this flyer to post at all outdoor playgrounds.

All playground facilities operators should review and follow these recommendations:

1. An adult must actively supervise each child at all times to make sure that children two years of age or older keep their face covering over their nose and mouth and stay 6 feet away from adults and children outside their household.
 - a. Children who are supervised by the same adult must stay together in the same play area or play structure at all times, to allow active supervision.
 - b. If an infant or child requires attention (nursing, diapering) that precludes an adult from actively supervising other children using the playground, the adult should ask the other children to leave the play structure/area and stay by the adult's side until needed care is complete.
2. People standing outside the playground, including people waiting to enter the playground, should remain 6 feet away from areas of the playground used by children and adults.
3. Maintain six-foot distancing between children and adults from different households including children using or waiting to use play structures or play areas, and families waiting to enter the playground.
4. Increase cleaning of frequently touched surfaces, daily as practicable.
5. To the extent feasible, provide handwashing stations or sanitizer to facilitate hand hygiene, especially during times of heavy usage. Use a hand sanitizer containing (60% ethanol or 70% isopropanol). Never use hand sanitizers with methanol due to its high toxicity to both children and adults.
6. Post the maximum number of children allowed at the entrance of each playground.
 - a. Determine and post the maximum occupancy of each play structure, (e.g., climbing structures, slides, swings, spinning structures, and sand areas) with 6 foot vertical and horizontal distancing.
 - b. Determine and post the maximum occupancy for supervising adults to ensure that each adult can maintain six feet of distance from other adults and children.
 - c. Provide directions on how to wait in line when maximum playground occupancy has been reached.
7. Mark playgrounds to help children and adults maintain 6 foot distancing.
 - a. Mark spaces for families to stand while waiting to enter the playground. The spaces should be far enough apart to allow 6 feet of distance between households.
 - b. For play structures or play areas that can hold more than one child while allowing 6 foot distancing:
 - i. Post the maximum number of children allowed on each structure/in each area to allow 6 foot distancing vertically and horizontally.
 - ii. For play structures or areas that can hold more than 1 child, consider marking with tape or other visual indicators to help children assess whether they are 6 feet apart.

- c. Mark designated spaces 6 feet apart for children to stand while waiting to use a play structure/area.

Additional Considerations

If there is a pre-scheduled activity that will access the playground, the playground must be closed to the broader public during that time.

Child care programs, schools, out-of-school time programs and other programs for children and youth where children must remain in cohorts may not use playgrounds during times when they are open to the public. However, if the playground operator permits, the childcare, school or other program may reserve a time for the exclusive use of the playground by the program. While on the playground, cohorts should maintain separation and avoid mixing.

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Play It Safe



Due to the ongoing spread of COVID-19 in our communities, please follow these simple steps to help keep our outdoor playgrounds safe, open and fun.

✓ **WEAR A MASK**

Everyone 2 years and older should wear a mask covering their face.

✓ **MAINTAIN DISTANCE**

Maintain physical distance of 6 feet between individuals from different households and prevent crowding of children.

✓ **NO FOOD OR DRINK**

Do not eat or drink in playground to ensure face masks are worn at all times.

✓ **WASH HANDS**

Wash or sanitize your hands before and after you visit

✓ **PLAN AHEAD**

Visit the park at different times or days to avoid crowds and waits.

✓ **KNOW WHEN TO STAY HOME**

Elderly individuals and people with underlying medical conditions should avoid playgrounds when others are present.

✓ **SHARE OUR SPACE**

To avoid crowding and allow everyone to use this space, please limit your visit to 30 minutes when others are waiting.



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Debido a la propagación continua de Covid-19 en nuestras comunidades, siga estos pasos sencillos para ayudar a mantener nuestros parques infantiles al aire libre seguros, abiertos y divertidos.

✓ **USE UNA MASCARILLA**

Todas las personas mayores de dos años deben usar una mascarilla que cubra su cara.

✓ **MANTENGA DISTANCIA**

Mantén una distancia física de 6 pies entre personas de diferentes hogares y evite que se amontonen los niños.

✓ **NADA DE COMIDA NI BEBIDA**

No coma ni beba en el parque infantil para asegurarse que se usen mascarillas en todo momento.

✓ **LAVE MANOS**

Lávese y desinfecte sus manos antes y después de su visita.

✓ **PLANEA CON ANTICIPACIÓN**

Visite el parque en diferentes horarios o días para evitar demasiadas personas y esperas.

✓ **SEPA CUANDO QUEDARSE EN CASA**

Las personas mayores y las personas con condiciones médicas subyacentes deben evitar parques infantiles cuando hay otros presentes.

✓ **COMPARTE EL ESPACIO**

Para evitar aglomeraciones y permitir que todos usen el espacio, por favor limite su visita a 30 minutos cuando otros están esperando.



BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPT A)
RESOLUTION DEMANDING CLARITY,) Resolution No. 2020-0694
CONSISTENCY, AND CONTINUITY FROM)
GOVERNOR NEWSOM REGARDING)
COVID-19 DIRECTIVES TO COUNTIES)

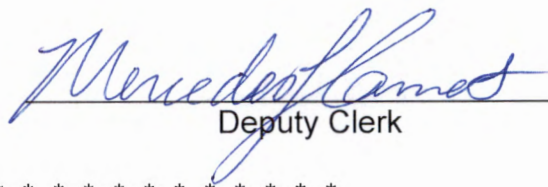
UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR TOWNSEND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
SHUKLIAN, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 6, 2020, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: SUPERVISORS CROCKER, VANDER POEL, SHUKLIAN, VALERO AND
TOWNSEND
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE



ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY:


Deputy Clerk

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Adopted the attached resolution demanding that Governor Newsom work more closely
with counties to increase the clarity, consistency, and continuity of direction regarding the
COVID-19 pandemic.

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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF DEMANDING)
GOVERNOR NEWSOM PROVIDE) Resolution No. 2020-0695
CLARITY, CONSISTENCY, AND)
CONTINUITY REGARDING COVID-19)
DIRECTIVES TO COUNTIES)

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors recognizes the seriousness of COVID-19 and the public health impact it is having in the country, the State, and the County; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors recognizes and appreciates the tremendous difficulty and work associated with managing the country, the State, and the County through this extraordinary public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors believes that public health best practices, such as washing hands, social distancing, wearing a mask, disinfecting surfaces, and staying far away from others when sick, are essential for slowing the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors believes that slowing the spread of COVID-19 is critical to maintaining local hospital capacity and avoiding the catastrophic failure of the County's hospital and medical acute care systems; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors believes that the biggest threat to slowing the spread of COVID-19 is large private and public gatherings, for extended periods of time, where basic public health guidelines and best practices are not being implemented or are ignored; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors believes that government, while critical to helping slow the spread of COVID-19 and promoting best practices, cannot take the place of personal responsibility and individual decision-making when it comes to exercising public health best practices or voluntary testing; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20, ordering all individuals in California to stay in their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of federal critical infrastructure sectors; and

WHEREAS, California counties are required to adhere to Governor Newsom's orders, directives, criteria, requirements, and guidelines for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Tulare County, as a State mandated condition to receive CARES Act funding (i.e. federal funding allocated to local governments under the Corona Virus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act [H.R. 748]) from the State's federal allocation, certified that it will continue to adhere to the Governor's "stay-at-home requirements and other health requirements as directed in gubernatorial Executive Order N-33-20, and subsequent Executive Orders or statutes, and all California Department of Public Health orders, directives, and guidance in response to the COVID-19 emergency;" and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2020, as a State condition to receiving CARES Act funding, Tulare County submitted a certification agreeing to adhere to the State's orders and guidance; and

WHEREAS, since March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom and the California Department of Public Health have modified state COVID-19 orders, directives, criteria, requirements, and guidelines for COVID-19, impacting all Californians, all California counties, all economic activity and other public and private activities on multiple occasions and without collaboration or consultation with the entities such orders impact; and

WHEREAS, California's counties are responsible for the implementation of state orders, directives, criteria, requirements, and guidelines, and are critical to the State's achievement of its goals and objectives related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Governor Newsom continues to modify orders, directives, criteria, requirements, and guidelines, and goals and objectives related to COVID-19, with little to no collaboration with counties prior to announcement; and

WHEREAS, Governor Newsom's changes to COVID-19 goals and objectives have complicated the management of this crisis, forcing counties like Tulare to change course, and re-prioritize at great time and expense, straining local personnel and resources, often with little to no clarification regarding how these new goals and objectives prevent or slow the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a new framework entitled "Blueprint for a Safer Economy" ("Blueprint"), to allow for the "safe progression of opening more businesses in each county so impacts of any given change can be fully evaluated;" and

WHEREAS, this Blueprint originally, and specifically, required California's counties to meet stated and simple benchmarks in overall Case Rates and Testing Positivity Rates in order to move into less restrictive tiers that would allow for a measured reopening of businesses, schools and other activities; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, September 7, 2020 Governor Newsom announced an adjustment to this Blueprint to include a Case Rate Adjustment Factor for counties with an overall Testing Rate lower than the state median, a complicated additional criteria that counties must meet for the measured reopening of businesses, schools and other activities; and

WHEREAS, Governor Newsom is now arbitrarily inflating overall Case Rate numbers in those counties who have an overall Testing Rate below the statewide average, further slowing and complicating a county's move into a less restrictive tier; and

WHEREAS the median statewide testing rate is a moving target and the relevance of using this measure to adjust county case rates is unclear; and

WHEREAS, this new criterion unnecessarily burdens Tulare County residents by slowing business and school reopening, and it penalizes counties, which have little to no control over individual decision-making related to COVID-19 testing, and

WHEREAS, due to the constantly changing orders and metrics, Tulare County continues to bear the increasing burden and expense of adjusting its pandemic response strategies and tracking mechanisms so that it may continue to receive the CARES Act funding it has been allocated; and

WHEREAS, Tulare County and its residents have been especially hindered by these changing metrics as other counties begin to move through the tiers that allow for reopening of in person education, leaving Tulare County behind in the education of its youth and lead to significant emotional, nutritional, and physical harm; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's newly-established health equity measures will have a disproportionally negative impact on Tulare County's agricultural community, low-income residents, disadvantaged students and other community groups; and

WHEREAS, Tulare County is slowing the spread of COVID-19, has continued to locally reinforce all directives of the State; has made critical investments in testing and contact tracing capacity; has made critical investments in testing, tracing and containment at State-regulated skilled nursing facilities; has made critical investments in support of local business, non-profits, and disadvantaged communities; has lowered local hospitalization rates; and has increased and sustained local hospital capacity.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare, State of California, as follows:

1. Tulare County demands that Governor Newsom provide increased clarity, consistency and continuity in his directives to counties, business communities, and residents regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Tulare County demands that the Governor and his administration work more closely with all counties, including Tulare, to develop a pathway for increased business activity and school reopening, ensuring it is done safely and responsibly.
3. Tulare County demands that State and local actions related to COVID-19 focus on maintaining hospital and medical system capacity, which was the primary

objective in "flattening the curve" at the start of the pandemic in March.

4. Tulare County demands that the State use hospital and medical system capacity as the primary criteria for increased, but measured, reopening of businesses and schools in all counties.
5. Tulare County demands that Governor Newsom not continue to modify the criteria and metrics used by the State to determine when businesses can begin to reopen in each county.
6. Tulare County demands that Governor Newsom track and utilize each county's actual Case Rate and Testing Positivity Rate, without a Case Rate Adjustment Factor, to determine a county's movement through the "Blueprint for a Safer Economy" risk tier framework.
7. Tulare County demands that Governor Newsom not penalize counties for not achieving new State goals and objectives that are not directly related to flattening the curve and maintaining hospital and medical system capacity; and
8. Tulare County demands that Governor Newsom follow through with his commitments to the Central Valley and provide Tulare County with the necessary contracts and infrastructure development to meet the State's metrics for testing volume.
9. Tulare County demands that Governor Newsom not continue to burden California's small business community and families by linking business and school reopening to any requirements beyond what was outlined in the original Blueprint, announced on August 28, 2020.
10. Tulare County demands that California counties be judged on simple, consistent, achievable, and measurable objectives related to maintaining hospital and medical system capacity, and slowing the spread of COVID-19.
11. Tulare County demands that due to the increasing burden and expense to Tulare County that these changing orders have presented, the State distribute in its entirety, the remaining CARES Act funding allocated to Tulare County under the State Budget Act of 2020.
12. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall transmit copies of this to the following:

County Administrative Office

County Counsel

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor of California

State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

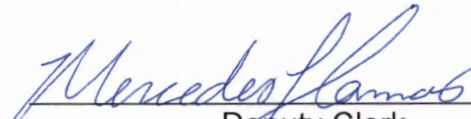
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AYES: SUPERVISORS CROCKER, VANDER POEL, SHUKLIAN, VALERO AND TOWNSEND
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE



ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY:


Deputy Clerk



Sandra Shewry
Acting Director

State of California—Health and Human
Services Agency
**California Department of
Public Health**



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor

October 9, 2020

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: Guidance for Private Gatherings

Summary

This guidance provides an updated plan for Californians to gather outside their household and replaces the prior gatherings guidance issued on September 12, 2020 and March 16, 2020. It applies to private gatherings, and all other gatherings not covered by existing sector guidance are prohibited. Gatherings are defined as social situations that bring together people from different households at the same time in a single space or place. When people from different households mix, this increases the risk of transmission of COVID-19.

Mandatory Requirements for All Gatherings

All persons planning to host or participate in a private gathering, as defined above, must comply with the following requirements. Local health jurisdictions may be more restrictive than this guidance. Refer to your local guidance for what is allowed in your area.

1. Attendance

- *Gatherings that include more than **3 households are prohibited**. This includes everyone present, including hosts and guests. Remember, the smaller the number of people, the safer.*
- *Keep the households that you interact with stable over time. By spending time with the same people, risk of transmission is reduced. Participating in multiple gatherings with different households or groups is strongly discouraged.*
- *The host should collect names of all attendees and contact information in case contact tracing is needed later.*

2. *Gather Outdoors*

- Gatherings that occur outdoors are significantly safer than indoor gatherings. All gatherings must be held outside. Attendees may go inside to use restrooms as long as the restrooms are frequently sanitized.
- Gatherings may occur in outdoor spaces that are covered by umbrellas, canopies, awnings, roofs, and other shade structures provided that at least three sides of the space (or 75%) are open to the outdoors.
- A gathering of no more than three households is permitted in a public park or other outdoor space, even if unrelated gatherings of other groups up to three households are also occurring in the same park or other outdoor space. If multiple such gatherings are occurring, mixing between group gatherings is not allowed. Additionally, multiple gatherings of three households cannot be jointly organized or coordinated to occur in the same public park or other outdoor space at the same time – this would constitute a gathering exceeding the permitted size.

3. *Don't Attend Gatherings If You Feel Sick or You Are in a High-Risk Group*

- Anyone with any COVID-19-like symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, night sweats, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, tiredness, muscle or body aches, headaches, confusion, or loss of sense of taste/smell), **must stay home and not come into contact with anyone outside their household.**
- Anyone who develops COVID-19 within 48 hours after attending a gathering should notify the other attendees as soon as possible regarding the potential exposure.
- People at higher risk of severe illness or death from COVID-19 (such as older adults and people with chronic medical conditions) are strongly urged not to attend any gatherings.

4. *Practice Physical Distancing and Hand Hygiene at Gatherings*

- For any gatherings permitted under this guidance, the space must be large enough so that everyone at a gathering can maintain at least a 6-foot physical distance from others (not including their own household) at all times.
- Seating must provide at least 6 feet of distance (in all directions—front-to-back and side-to-side) between different households.
- Everyone at a gathering should frequently wash their hands with soap and water, or use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available. A place to wash hands or hand sanitizer must be available for participants to use.
- Shared items should not be used during a gathering. As much as possible, any food or beverages at outdoor gatherings must be in single-serve disposable containers. If providing single-serve containers is not possible, food and beverages must be served by a person who washes or sanitizes their hands frequently, and wears a face covering. Self-serve items from communal containers should not be used.

5. *Wear a Face Covering to Keep COVID-19 from Spreading*

- When gathering, face coverings must be worn in accordance with the CDPH Guidance on the Use of Face Coverings (PDF), unless an exemption is applicable.
- People at gatherings may remove their face coverings briefly to eat or drink as long as they stay at least 6 feet away from everyone outside their own household, and put their face covering back on as soon as they are done with the activity.
- Face coverings can also be removed to meet urgent medical needs (for example, to use an asthma inhaler, take medication, or if feeling light-headed).

6. *Keep it short*

- Gatherings should be two hours or less. The longer the duration, the risk of transmission increases.

7. *Rules for Singing, Chanting, and Shouting at Outdoor Gatherings*

- Singing, chanting, shouting, and physical exertion significantly increases the risk of COVID-19 transmission because these activities increase the release of respiratory droplets and fine aerosols into the air. Because of this, singing, chanting, and shouting are strongly discouraged, but if they occur, the following rules and recommendations apply:
 - All people who are singing or chanting should wear a face covering at all times while singing or chanting, including anyone who is leading a song or chant. Because these activities pose a very high risk of COVID-19 transmission, face coverings are essential to reduce the spread of respiratory droplets and fine aerosols;
 - People who are singing, shouting, chanting, or exercising are strongly encouraged to maintain physical distancing beyond 6 feet to further reduce risk.
 - People who are singing or chanting are strongly encouraged to do so quietly (at or below the volume of a normal speaking voice).
- Instrumental music is allowed as long as the musicians maintain at least 6-foot physical distancing. Musicians must be from one of the three households. Playing of wind instruments (any instrument played by the mouth, such as a trumpet or clarinet) is strongly discouraged.

Context

COVID-19 continues to pose a severe risk to communities and requires all people in California to follow necessary precautions and to adapt the way they live and function in light of this ongoing risk. The safest way to gather is to spend time with people in the same household or to gather virtually.

In general, the **more people from different households** a person interacts with at a gathering, the **closer** the physical interaction is, and the **longer** the interaction lasts, the higher the risk that a person with a COVID-19 infection, symptomatic or asymptomatic, may spread it to others. Public health studies have also shown that the risk of transmission is increased **in indoor spaces**, particularly when there isn't appropriate ventilation.[1] Unlike indoor spaces, wind and air in outdoor spaces can help reduce spread of the virus from one person to another.

Planning scenarios published by the CDC estimate that, on average, a person with COVID-19 goes on to infect between 2-4 people, with a best estimate of 2.5 when there are no preventive measures.[2] For example, if each infected person spreads the virus to two people, who in turn spread it to two others each; those four will spread the

virus to eight others; those eight will spread the virus to 16; and so on. As a result, after 10 transmission cycles, one person could be responsible for 1,024 other people contracting the virus.[3] Additionally, there is broad agreement that people who are not experiencing symptoms can still spread COVID-19[4]. The fact that COVID-19 can be spread by people who don't have symptoms or aren't showing symptoms yet is one of the aspects of the COVID-19 that makes it difficult to control.

All gatherings pose a higher risk of transmission and spread of COVID-19 when people mix from different households and communities. The likelihood of transmission and spread increases with laughing, singing, loud talking and difficulty maintaining physical distance. Limiting attendance at gatherings is a way to reduce the risk of spread as it lowers the number of different people who are interacting. Additionally, by limiting attendance there is an improved ability to perform effective contact tracing if there is a positive case discovered, which can help to slow the spread of COVID-19[5]. People who do choose to attend gatherings should discuss and agree upon the specific group rules before convening together.

[1] See, e.g., Hiroshi Nishiura, et al., Closed environments facilitate secondary transmission of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) (PDF), (www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.02.28.20029272v2.full.pdf); Hu Qian, et al., "Indoor transmission of SARS-CoV-2" (www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.04.04.20053058v1) [pre-print] published in medRxiv on April 4, 2020.

[2] See the CDC COVID-19 Pandemic Planning Scenarios web page

[3] See, e.g., Report 3: Natsuko Imai et al, WHO Collaborating Centre for Infectious Disease Modelling, MRC Centre for Global Infectious Disease Analysis, J-IDEA, "Imperial college London, UK. Transmissibility of 2019 -n-CoV)." See also Inglesby T B JAMA Public Health Measures and the Reproduction Number of SARS-CoV-2. JAMA Network.2020.7878 (May 1, 2020).

[4] World Health Organization (WHO) Transmission of SARS-CoV-2: implications for infection prevention precautions

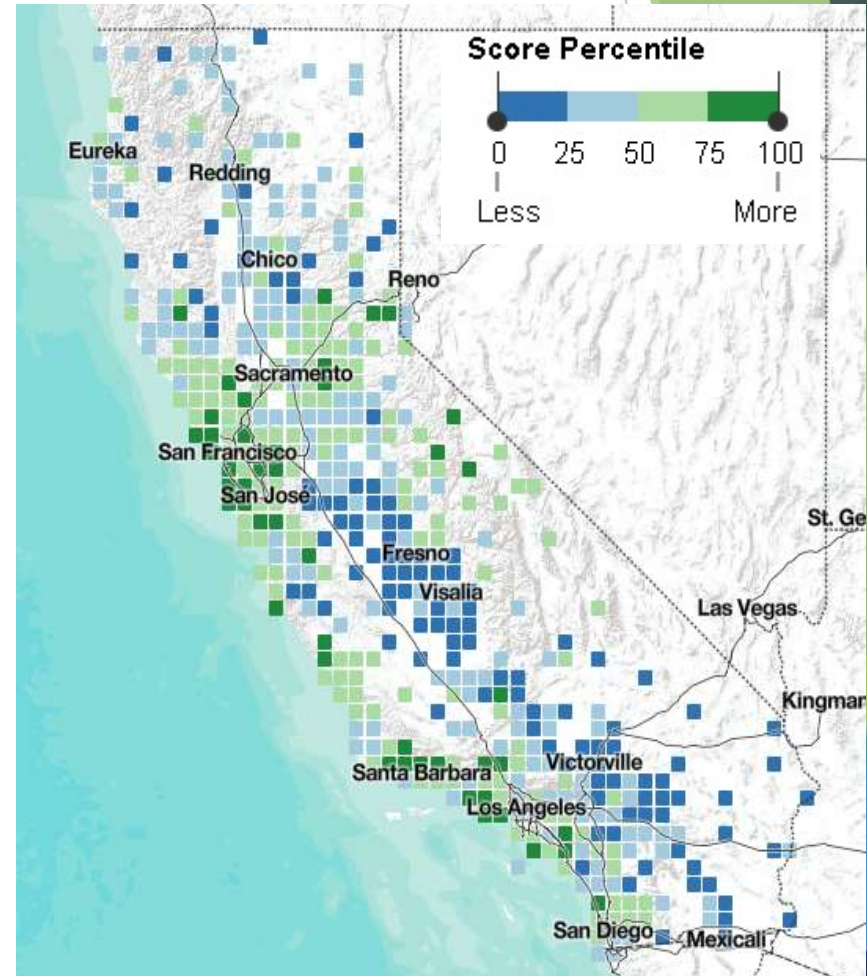
[5] See Harvard Health Preventing the spread of the coronavirus Social distancing, hand washing, and other preventive measures

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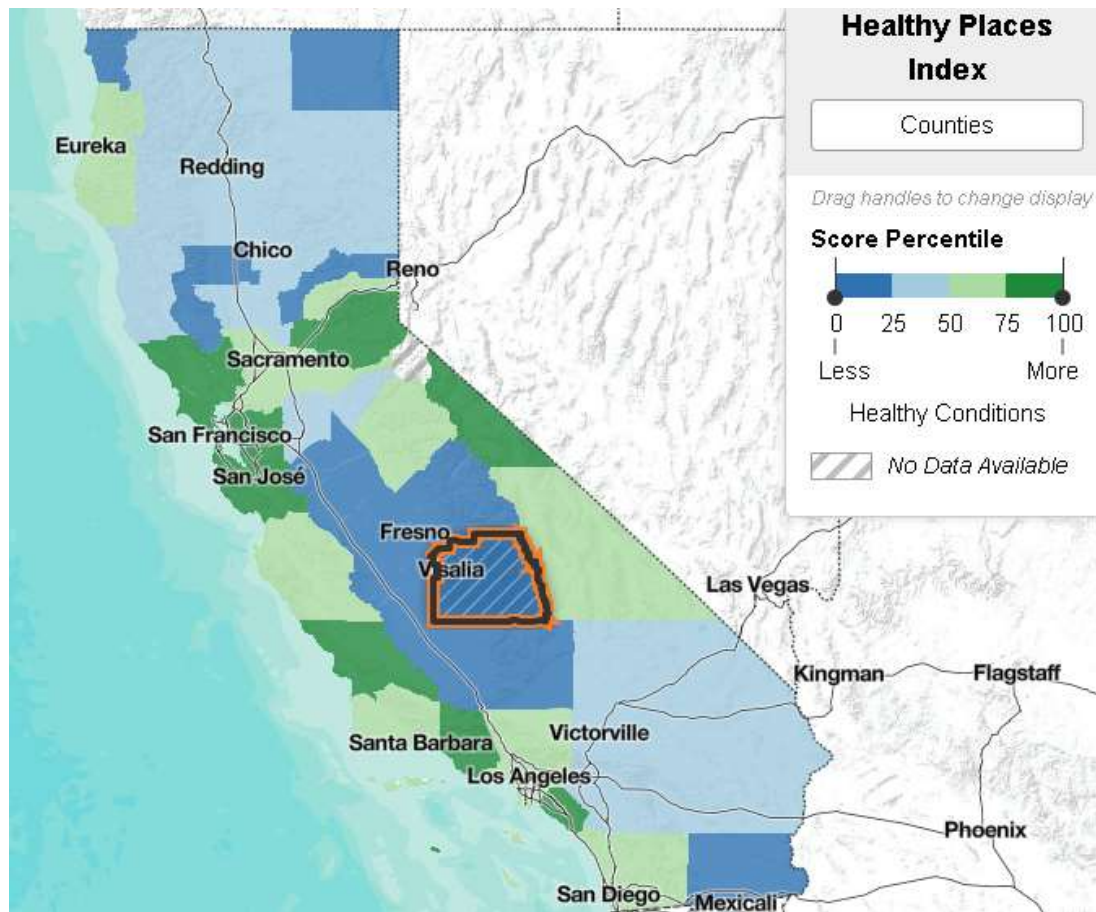
Healthy Places Index

- ▶ Public Health Alliance of Southern California
- ▶ HPI Map
- ▶ Created a composite score from a number of indicators in categories such as economy, education, transportation, clean environment, housing, healthcare access and more
- ▶ Counties and census tracts are ranked by their composite score percentile statewide
- ▶ 264 of 8,057 tracts are not scored



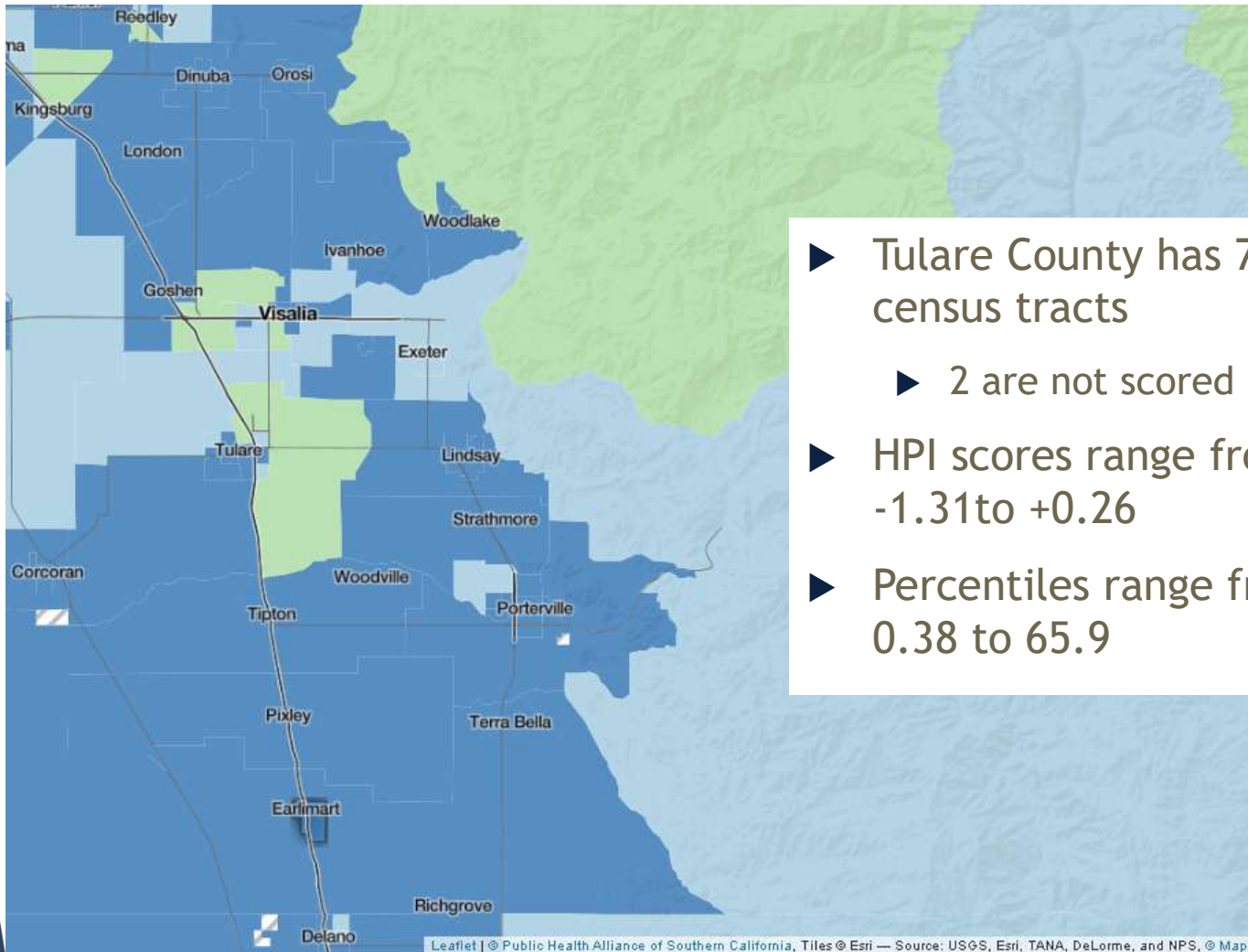
URL: <https://map.healthyplacesindex.org/>

Ranking Counties Across the State



San Joaquin Valley county percentiles range from 1.8 (Merced) to 32.1 (San Joaquin) with Tulare at 5.4.

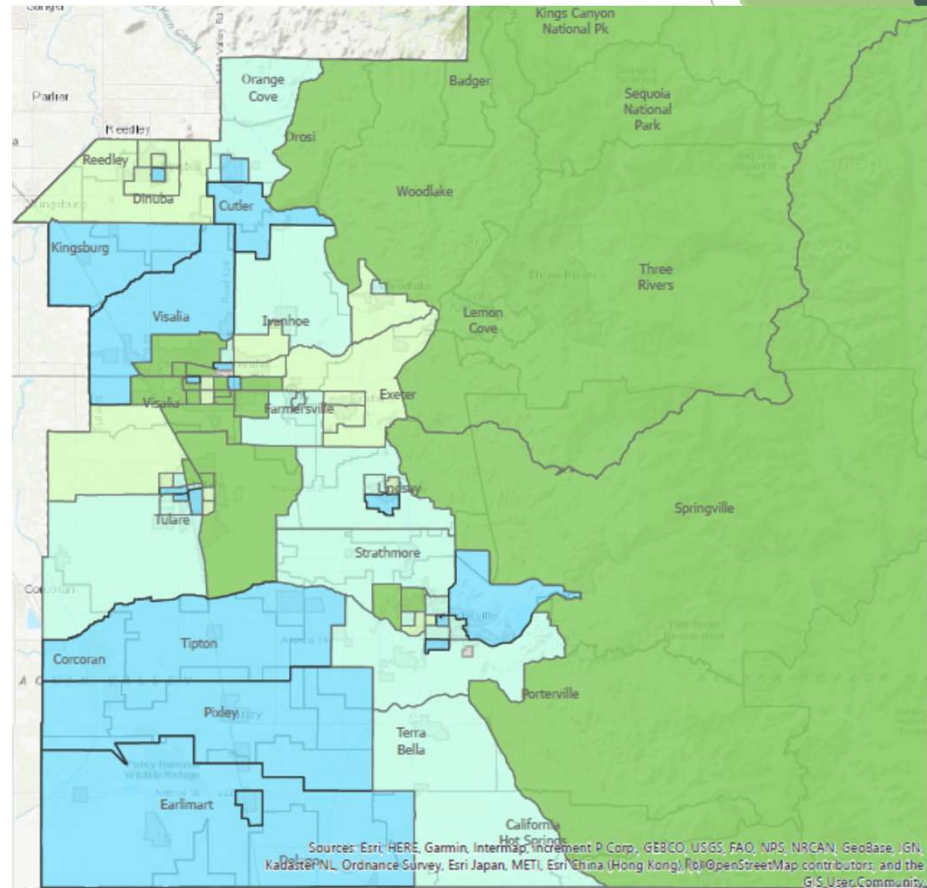
Tulare County Census Tracts - HPI Ranking is Statewide



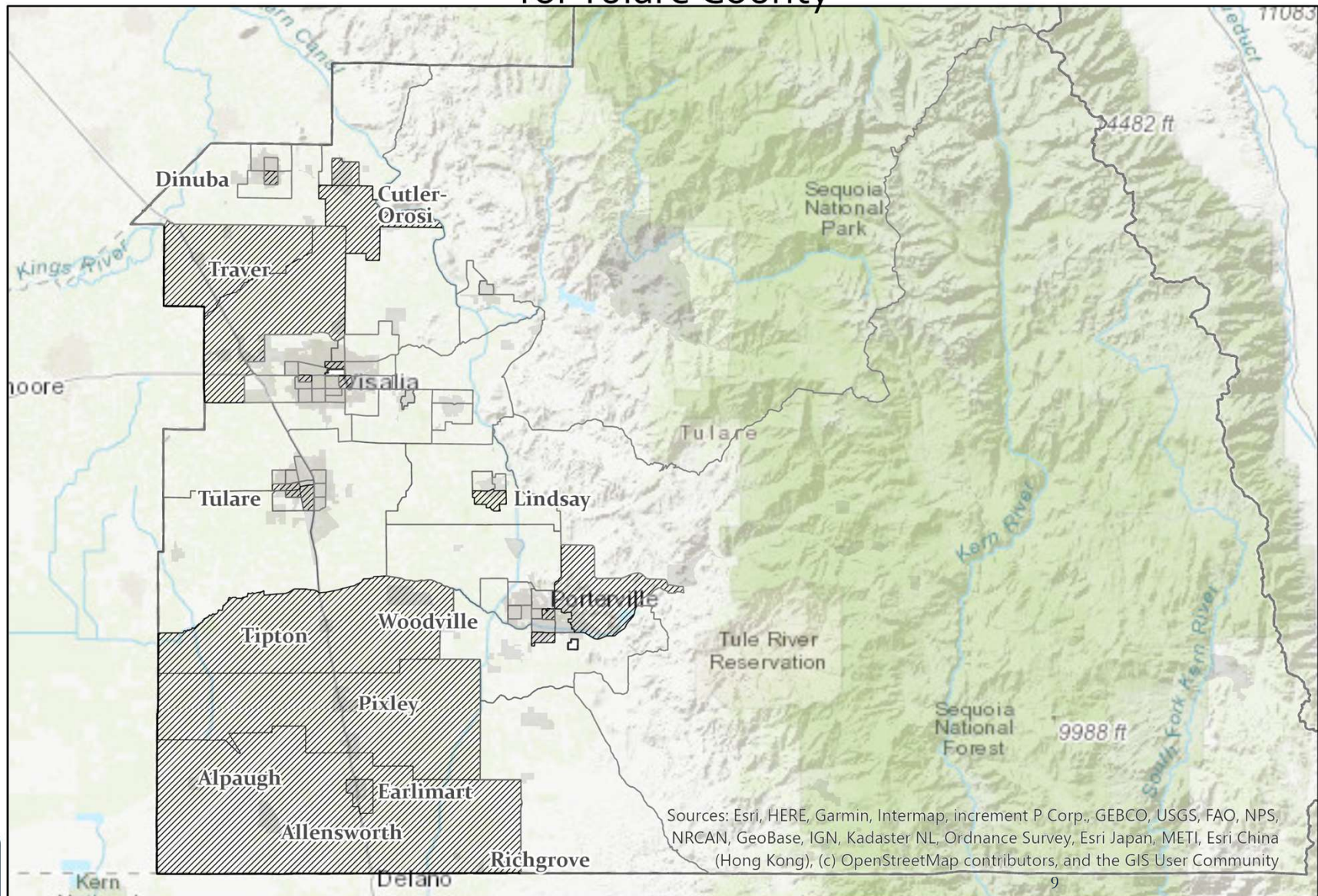
- ▶ Tulare County has 78 census tracts
 - ▶ 2 are not scored
- ▶ HPI scores range from -1.31 to +0.26
- ▶ Percentiles range from 0.38 to 65.9

Health Equity Metric - Census Tracts are *Ranked within Counties*

- ▶ All census tracts with HPI scores are ranked
- ▶ Tracts are divided into 4 groups, quartiles
- ▶ In Tulare County, 76 tracts are divided into 4 quartiles of 19 census tracts each
- ▶ The quartile with the lowest HPI scores is our Low HPI Quartile - the bright blue census tracts on this map



Census Tracts in the Lowest Quartile of the Healthy Places Index for Tulare County



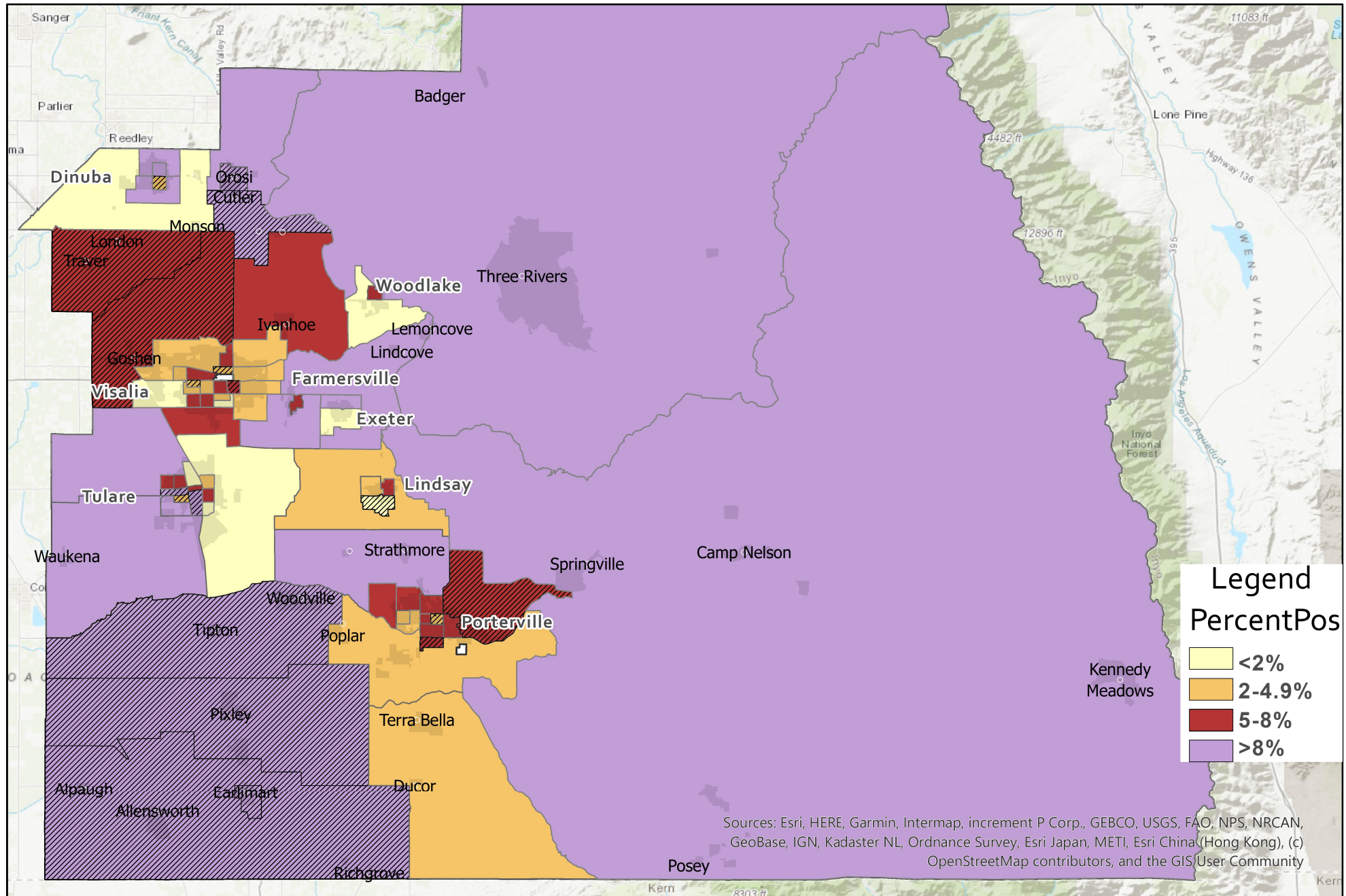
Health Equity Blueprint Metric

- ▶ Lowest HPI quartile test positivity rate must meet the specified threshold for the less restrictive tier before a county can move to that tier
 - ▶ For counties entering the red tier, their lowest quartile HPI census tracts' test positivity must also be $\leq 8\%$
 - ▶ For counties entering the orange tier, their lowest quartile HPI census tracts' test positivity must be within 5% of the orange tier threshold, or $\leq 5.2\%$
 - ▶ For counties entering the yellow tier, their lowest quartile HPI census tracts must be within 10% of the yellow tier threshold, or $\leq 2.1\%$

Tier assignment updated October 13

- Tulare County's overall positivity rate was 5.8% and
- Positivity in the lowest HPI quartile was 8.0%
- Both were in Tier 2 "substantial" category
- However, we were assigned Tier 1 due to case rate > 7.0

Positivity by Census Tract 10/13 Specimens Collected 9/27-10/3



Tulare County Census Tracts with > 8.0% Positivity - Specimens collected 9/27-10/3

Census Tract	HPI Quartile	% Positive	Continuous Weeks > 8%	Population (2014-2018)	Place
0600	Q1 - Low HPI	24.4	2	7,068	Cutler/Yettem
4200	Q1 - Low HPI	18.9	1	6,643	Pixley/Teviston
0202	Q2	17.9	1	2,522	Rural north of Orosi
3300	Q2	16.0	3	7,848	Strathmore/Plainview
4400	Q1 - Low HPI	15.6	3	7,607	Earlimart
4300	Q1 - Low HPI	15.4	1	7,487	Alpaugh/Allensworth/Richgrove
0100	Q4 - High HPI	15.2	1	4,715	Three Rivers/Badger
2901	Q1 - Low HPI	13.3	2	4,088	South-central Tulare
3200	Q1 - Low HPI	12.5	1	7,420	Tipton/Woodville
0502	Q3	12.2	2	4,321	South-west Dinuba
2202	Q1 - Low HPI	11.8	1	6,076	West-central Tulare
0401	Q3	10.5	3	6,188	North Dinuba
0402	Q3	10.3	3	7,337	North-Central Dinuba
1400	Q3	9.5	2	5,202	N. Farmersville/Lindcove/Lemoncove
3100	Q2	9.4	1	3,502	Waukena/SW of Tulare
2100	Q3	9.4	2	2,559	Rural area NW of Tulare
3002	Q2	9.3	1	3,434	South-west Tulare
1602	Q2	9.3	1	5,725	Rural area south of Farmersville
1501	Q3	9.0	1	5,398	North Exeter
0201	Q1 - Low HPI	8.9	3	8,607	Orosi
2700	Q4 - High HPI	8.3	2	5,164	Springville/Camp Nelson/Posey

- 21 census tracts have positivity > 8.0%
- 25 tracts have positivity between 5 and 8%
- 21 tracts have positivity between 2 and 5%
- 9 tracts have positivity < 2.0%

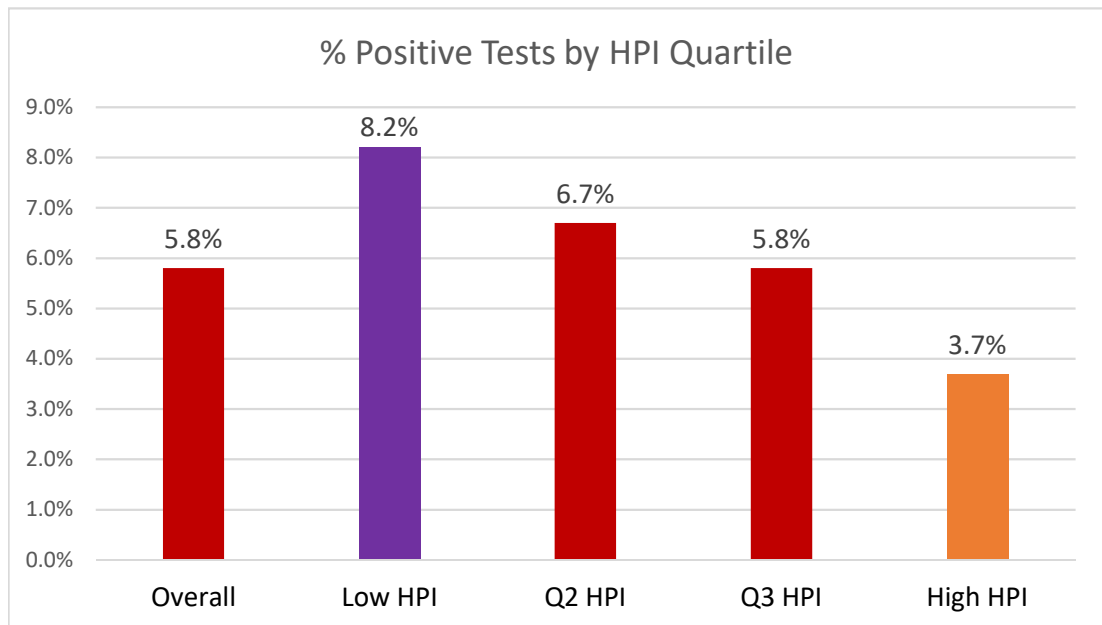
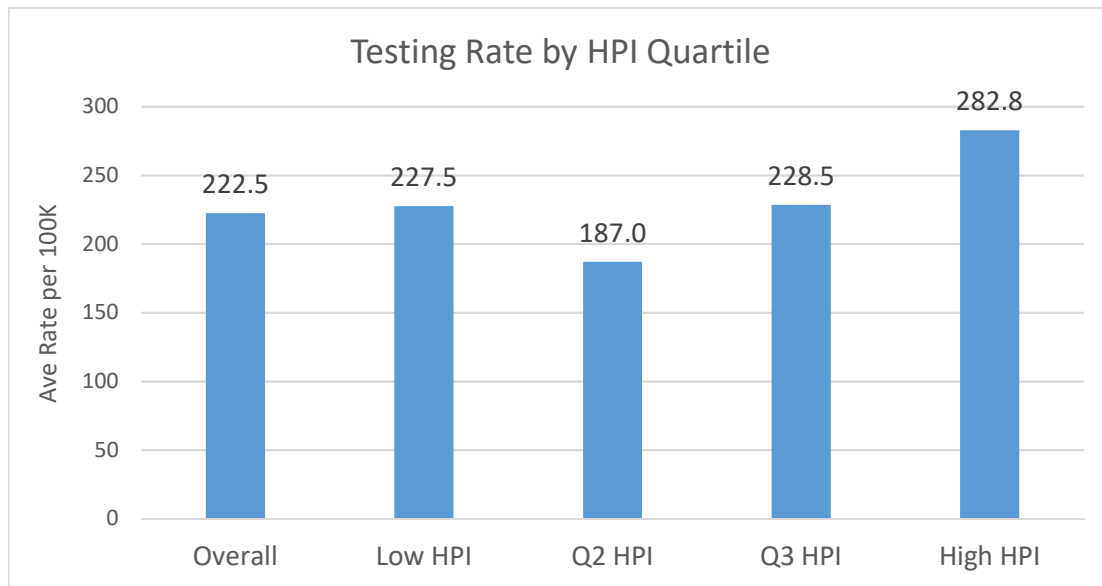
Note that for small areas such as individual census tracts, data shifts from week to week.

The health equity metric is calculated for all low quartile tracts aggregated together.

Census tracts highlighted have had positivity > 8% for 3 weeks in a row.

Population estimates are from the 5 year American Community Survey (2014-2018), US Census Bureau

Health Equity Metric updated 10/13
Data is for specimens collected 9/27-10/3



COVID-19 INDUSTRY GUIDANCE: Expanded Personal Care Services

October 20, 2020

This guidance is designed to address sectors and activities opening statewide. However, local health officers may implement more stringent rules tailored to local epidemiological conditions, so employers should also confirm relevant local opening policies.

OVERVIEW

On March 19, 2020, the State Public Health Officer and Director of the California Department of Public Health issued an order requiring most Californians to stay at home to disrupt the spread of COVID-19 among the population.

The impact of COVID-19 on the health of Californians is not yet fully known. Reported illness ranges from very mild (some people have no symptoms) to severe illness that may result in death. Certain groups, including people aged 65 or older and those with serious underlying medical conditions, such as heart or lung disease or diabetes, are at higher risk of hospitalization and serious complications. Transmission is most likely when people are in close contact or in a poorly ventilated area with an infected person, even if that person does not have any symptoms or has not yet developed symptoms.

Precise information about the number and rates of COVID-19 by industry or occupational groups, including among critical infrastructure workers, is not available at this time. There have been multiple outbreaks in a range of workplaces, indicating that workers are at risk of acquiring or transmitting COVID-19 infection. Examples of these workplaces include hospitals, long-term care facilities, prisons, food production, warehouses, meat processing plants, restaurants, and grocery stores.

As stay-at-home orders are modified, it is essential that all possible steps be taken to ensure the safety of workers and the public.

Key prevention practices include:

- ✓ physical distancing to the maximum extent possible,
- ✓ use of face coverings by workers (where respiratory protection is not required) and customers/clients,
- ✓ frequent handwashing and regular cleaning and disinfection,
- ✓ training workers on these and other elements of the COVID-19 prevention plan.

In addition, it will be critical to have in place appropriate processes to identify new cases of illness in workplaces and, when they are identified, to intervene quickly and work with public health authorities to halt the spread of the virus.

PURPOSE

This document provides guidance for expanded personal care services, which includes personal care that requires touching a client's face, e.g. facials, electrolysis, and waxing. This guidance applies to esthetic, skin care, electrology, nail services, body art professionals, tattoo parlors, and piercing shops, and massage therapy (in non-healthcare settings). Businesses in these industries are open across all tiers but must follow the modifications in this guidance.

For the most updated information on county tier status, visit [Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#). Please note that local health departments can have more restrictive criteria and different closures. Find [your county's local information](#).

This guidance is intended to support a safe, clean environment for workers and customers. Establishment license holders must acknowledge that renters or lessees should only resume operations when they are ready and able to implement the necessary safety measures to provide for their safety and that of their customers.

The guidance is not intended to revoke or repeal any worker rights, either statutory, regulatory, or collectively bargained and is not exhaustive, as it does not include county health orders, nor is it a substitute for any existing safety and health-related regulatory requirements such as those of Cal/OSHA or the California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology.¹ Stay current on changes to public health guidance and state/local orders, as the COVID-19 situation continues. Cal/OSHA has more comprehensive guidance on their [Cal/OSHA General Guidelines on Protecting Workers from COVID-19 webpage](#). CDC has additional requirements in their [guidance](#) for businesses and employers.

Required Use of Face Coverings

On June 18, CDPH issued [Guidance on the Use of Face Coverings](#), which broadly requires the use of face coverings for both members of the public and workers in all public and workplace settings where there is a high risk of exposure. Complete details, including all requirements and exemptions to these rules, can be found in the [guidance](#).

The [CDPH Face Covering Guidance](#) is subject to additional updates based on the current scientific understanding of transmission of the virus causing COVID-19. Please check the CDPH website for any revisions.



Workplace Specific Plan

- Establish a written, workplace-specific COVID-19 prevention plan at every location, perform a comprehensive risk assessment of all work areas and work tasks and designate a person at each facility to implement the plan.
- Incorporate the [CDPH Face Covering Guidance](#) into the Workplace Specific Plan and include a policy for handling exemptions.
- Identify contact information for the local health department where the facility is located for communicating information about COVID-19 outbreaks among workers or customers.
- Train and communicate with workers and worker representatives on the plan and make the plan available to workers and their representatives.
- Regularly evaluate the workplace for compliance with the plan and document and correct deficiencies identified.
- Investigate any COVID-19 illness and determine if any work-related factors could have contributed to risk of infection. Update the plan as needed to prevent further cases.
- Implement the necessary processes and protocols when a workplace has an outbreak, in accordance with [CDPH guidelines](#) and orders or guidance from the local health department.
- Identify close contacts (within six feet for 15 minutes or more) of an infected worker and take steps to isolate COVID-19 positive worker(s) and close contacts.
- Notify all employees in writing, and employers of subcontracted employees, who may have been exposed to COVID-19 and report workplace outbreaks to the local health department. For additional information on employer responsibilities under [AB 685](#) (Chapter 84, Statutes of 2020), refer to the [Enhanced Enforcement and Employer Reporting Requirements](#) from Cal/OSHA and the [Employer Questions about AB 685](#) from CDPH.
- Adhere to the guidelines below. Failure to do so could result in workplace illnesses that may cause operations to be temporarily closed or limited.



Topics for Worker Training

- Information on [COVID-19](#), how to prevent it from spreading, and [people who are at higher risk](#) for severe illness or death.
- Self-screening at home, including temperature and/or symptom checks using [CDC guidelines](#).

- The importance of not coming to work:
 - If a worker has symptoms of COVID-19 as [described by the CDC](#), such as a fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea, OR
 - If a worker was diagnosed with COVID-19 and has not yet been released from isolation, OR
 - If, within the past 14 days, a worker has had contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 and is considered potentially infectious (i.e. still on isolation).
- To return to work after a worker receives a COVID-19 diagnosis only after meeting [CDPH Guidance on Returning to Work or School Following COVID-19 Diagnosis](#).
- To seek medical attention if their symptoms become severe, including persistent pain or pressure in the chest, confusion, or bluish lips or face. Updates and further details are available on [CDC's webpage](#).
- The importance of frequent handwashing with soap and water, including scrubbing with soap for 20 seconds (or using hand sanitizer with at least 60% ethanol (preferred) or 70% isopropanol (if the product is inaccessible to unsupervised children) when workers cannot get to a sink or handwashing station, per [CDC guidelines](#)). Never use hand sanitizers with [methanol](#) due to its high toxicity to both children and adults.
- The importance of physical distancing, both at work and off work time (see Physical Distancing section below).
- Proper use of face coverings, including:
 - Face coverings are not personal protective equipment (PPE).
 - Face coverings do not replace the need for physical distancing and frequent handwashing.
 - Face coverings must cover the nose and mouth.
 - Workers should wash or sanitize hands before and after using or adjusting face coverings.
 - Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.
 - Face coverings must not be shared and should be washed or discarded after each shift.
- Information contained in the [CDPH Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings](#), which mandates the circumstances in which face coverings must be worn and the exemptions, as well as any policies, work rules, and

practices the employer has adopted to ensure the use of face coverings. Training should also include the employer's policies on how people who are exempted from wearing a face covering will be handled.

- Ensure any independent contractors, temporary, or contract workers at the facility are also properly trained in COVID-19 prevention policies and have necessary supplies and PPE. Discuss these responsibilities ahead of time with organizations supplying temporary and/or contract workers.
- Information on paid leave benefits the worker may be entitled to receive that would make it financially easier to stay at home. See additional information on [government programs supporting sick leave and workers' compensation for COVID-19](#), including workers' sick leave rights under the [Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#).



Individual Control Measures and Screening

- Provide temperature and/or symptom screenings for all workers at the beginning of their shift and any vendors or contractors entering the establishment. Make sure the temperature/symptom screener avoids close contact with workers to the extent possible.
- If requiring self-screening at home, which is an appropriate alternative to providing it at the establishment, ensure that screening was performed prior to the worker leaving the home for their shift and follows [CDC guidelines](#), as described in the Topics for Worker Training section above.
- Encourage workers and customers who are sick or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 to stay home.
- Employers must provide and ensure workers use all required protective equipment, including eye protection, gloves, and face shields where necessary.
- Employers should consider where disposable glove use may be helpful to supplement frequent handwashing or use of hand sanitizer; examples are for workers who are screening others for symptoms or handling commonly touched items. Workers should wear gloves when handling items contaminated by body fluids.
- Disposable gloves should be worn for services that require them. Wearing gloves should be done in conjunction with regular hand washing and is not a substitute for regular hand washing.
- Workers who consistently must be within six feet of customers or co-workers must wear a secondary barrier (e.g., face shield or safety goggles) in addition to a face covering. All employees should minimize the amount of time spent within six feet of customers.

- Contact customers before visits to confirm appointments and ask if they or someone in their household is exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms. If the customer answers in the affirmative, reschedule the appointment. Such communication can be done via phone, app, email, or text to remind customers that they should only come to the facility for their appointment if they do not pose a health risk to other customers or workers. In order to implement pre-screening protocols and ensure physical distancing protocols, consider suspending walk-in appointment availability.
- Tell customers that no additional friends or family will be permitted in the facility, except for a parent or guardian accompanying a minor.
- Customers should be screened for temperature and/or symptoms upon arrival, asked to use hand sanitizer, and to wear a face covering unless exempted per the [CDPH Face Covering Guidance](#). Employers have the right to refuse entry to symptomatic customers or visitors.
- Display a set of guidelines for customers that are to be a condition of entry. The guidelines must include instructions to wear face coverings, use hand sanitizer, maintain physical distance from other customers, and they should communicate changes to service offerings. The guidelines should be posted in clearly visible locations, including at entrances, include pictograms, and be made available digitally (e.g. through email).



Ventilation, Cleaning, and Disinfecting Protocols

- Consider opening treatment room windows, if feasible and within security protocols.
- Where possible, install portable high-efficiency air cleaners, upgrade the building's air filters to the highest efficiency possible, and make other modifications to increase the quantity of outside air and ventilation in all working areas.
- Check the [CDPH website](#) periodically for updates on indoor air quality and ventilation guidance for airborne diseases in indoor settings.
- Ensure that coworkers, fellow tenants, booth renters, and/or staff have coordinated and put a plan in place for cleaning and disinfection at the beginning and end of each shift and in between customers. Perform thorough cleaning in high traffic areas, such as reception areas, and areas of ingress and egress including stairways, stairwells, and handrails.
- Frequently disinfect commonly used surfaces including credit card terminals, counters, reception area seating, door handles, light switches, phones, toilets, and handwashing facilities.
- Evaluate existing ventilation, hygiene, and sanitation protocols and

cleaning processes and update where necessary. Use hospital grade, [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\)-approved products](#) to clean and disinfect anything the client came in contact with, including treatment tables, face cradles, stools, bolsters, door knobs, side tables, chairs, etc. Follow the product manufacturer's recommendations for contact time. Use disinfectants labeled to be effective against emerging viral pathogens, diluted household bleach solutions (5 tablespoons per gallon of water), or alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol that are appropriate for the surface. Provide workers training on the chemical hazards, manufacturer's directions for use, ventilation requirements, and Cal/OSHA requirements for safe use. Workers using cleaners or disinfectants should wear gloves and other protective equipment as required by the product. Follow the [asthma-safer cleaning methods](#) recommended by the California Department of Public Health and ensure proper ventilation.

- Since porous surfaces such as chair seats cannot be easily disinfected, consider covering with a plastic or disposable liner and cleaning or disposing of the liner after each customer.
- All appliances at work stations and in treatment rooms should be properly disinfected between each customer.
 - For non-porous implements, such as tweezers or scissors, clean the item with hot, soapy water to remove any physical debris. Rinse and dry the implement completely. Follow by immersing the implement in an EPA-registered liquid disinfectant that is labeled as a bactericide, fungicide, and virucide for the full contact time as stated by the manufacturer's directions. Items should be removed at the end of contact time, rinsed, and dried with a clean paper towel.
 - For electrical implements such as magnifying LED lamps, hot towel warmers, and esthetic devices, clean the implement with a spray or wipe to remove any physical debris. Follow with an EPA-registered disinfectant spray or wipe for the full contact time as noted by the manufacturer's directions. Use caution when using a spray and be sure your device is unplugged and do not spray into the motor. For electronics such as tablets, touch screens, keyboards, remote controls, and ATM machines, remove visible contamination if present. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for all cleaning and disinfection products. Consider use of wipeable covers for electronics. If no manufacturer guidance is available, consider the use of alcohol-based wipes or sprays containing at least 60% alcohol to disinfect touch screens. Dry surfaces thoroughly to avoid pooling of liquids.
- To minimize the risk of [Legionnaires' disease](#) and other diseases associated with water, [take steps](#) to ensure that all water systems (e.g., drinking fountains) are safe to use after a prolonged facility shutdown.

- Where linens are used, even if the customer does not get under them, the linens should still be removed and the bed or table properly disinfected. Treatment tables must be covered with either clean treatment table paper, a clean towel, or a clean sheet after each use.
- Workers should wear disposable gloves when removing used linens, towels, and other draping, including blankets and client draping for each treatment. Do not shake the dirty laundry. Place used linens in a lined, lidded receptacle positioned outside the treatment space, if possible, to minimize the possibility of dispersing virus in the air. Dirty linens should not be used again until properly laundered either by a commercial laundering service or a laundering process which includes immersion in water of at least 160 degrees Fahrenheit for at least 25 minutes. Store all clean linens in a clean, covered place.
- Where possible, do not clean floors by sweeping or other methods that can disperse pathogens into the air unless all persons in the area have appropriate PPE. Use a vacuum with a HEPA filter wherever possible.
- Do not allow food or beverages to be at stations or in treatment rooms.
- Thoroughly clean any product display areas, including all shelving and display cases. Remove and discard any open "test" products and discontinue this practice to help reduce contamination. Add signage to this area to let customers know it is cleaned and disinfected daily.
- Encourage the use of credit cards and contactless payment systems. If electronic or card payment is not possible, customers should come with exact cash payment or check.
- Consider upgrading to touchless faucets, soap and paper towel dispensers, and adding touchless, automatic hand sanitizer dispensers. Ensure soap dispensers and paper towel dispensers are regularly filled.
- Equip reception areas and workstations with proper sanitation products, including hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes.
- Provide time for workers to implement cleaning practices during their shift. Cleaning assignments should be assigned during working hours as part of the worker's job duties.
- Workers should avoid sharing phones, tablets, laptops, desks, pens, and other work supplies, wherever possible. Never share PPE.
- In addition to the above cleaning and disinfecting protocols, businesses must follow the existing [California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology rules](#). Additional rules may also apply for businesses at the local, county-level.



Physical Distancing Guidelines

- **WARNING:** physical distancing alone is insufficient to prevent transmission of COVID-19.
- Implement measures to ensure physical distancing of at least six feet between and among workers and customers, except while providing the services that require close contact. This can include use of physical partitions or visual cues (e.g., floor markings, colored tape, or signs to indicate to where workers and/or customers should stand).
- Maintain at least six feet of physical distance between each work station area, and/or use impermeable barriers between work stations to protect customers from each other and workers.
- Stagger appointments to reduce reception congestion and ensure adequate time for proper cleaning and disinfection between each customer visit. Consider servicing fewer customers each day or expanding operating hours to allow for more time between customers and suspending walk-in appointments.
- If possible, implement virtual check-in technology to ensure that workers are notified when a customer arrives. Ask customers to wait outside or in their cars rather than congregating in reception areas. Reception areas should only have one customer at a time or the area should be modified to support adequate physical distancing, including removing chairs and sofas or spacing them further apart.
- For outdoor operations, establish an outdoor reception area where customers can check in while still following physical distancing guidelines. Take measures at reception desks or other areas where physical distancing cannot be maintained to minimize exposure between workers and customers, such as Plexiglas or other barriers.
- For outdoor operations, create outdoor break areas with shade covers and seating that ensures physical distancing, where possible.
- Take measures at reception desks or other areas where physical distancing cannot be maintained to minimize exposure between workers and customers, such as Plexiglas or other barriers.
- Consider offering workers who request modified duties options that minimize their contact with customers and other workers (e.g., managing inventory or managing administrative needs through telework).
- Require workers to avoid handshakes, fist bumps, hugs, or similar greetings that break physical distance.
- Do not allow people to congregate in high traffic areas such as bathrooms, hallways, bar areas, reservation, and credit card terminals, etc.

- Ensure workers can maintain physical distance in breakrooms, using barriers, increasing distance between tables/chairs to separate workers, etc. Where possible, create outdoor break areas with shade coverings and seating arrangements that ensures physical distancing. Discourage workers from congregating during breaks and ensure they are not eating or drinking without face coverings within six feet of each other.
- Adjust any staff meetings to ensure physical distancing. Hold meetings over the phone or via webinar for workers wherever possible.



Additional Considerations for Esthetic and Skin Care Services

- Workers should wear a face shield for eye protection (with a face covering) when they are providing clients treatment on facial or neck areas that do not enable the client to wear a face covering.
- Disposable gloves should be worn throughout the entire esthetic service and while performing cleaning and disinfection of all implements and surfaces after each client session.
- Before leaving the treatment room or area, remove and dispose of gloves, apply proper hand sanitizer or wash hands with soap and water, and use a previously readied disposable barrier, such as a paper towel or sanitizer wipe, to open and close the treatment room door while leaving the room.
- Single use applicators must be used and disposed of immediately after use in a lined trash bin. The trash bin should have a lid and should be lined with a disposable plastic bag.



Additional Considerations for Electrology Services

- Electrology services must not be provided in the outdoor setting because they are invasive procedures that require a controlled hygienic environment to be performed safely.
- Electrologists must use disposable gloves during the client's entire treatment. Electrologists should wear a face shield for eye protection (with a face covering) when they are providing clients treatment on facial or neck areas that do not enable the client to wear a face covering.
- Clients having any other areas treated should be required to wear a face covering throughout the service, if able to wear one per the [CDPH Face Covering Guidance](#).

- Tweezers, rollers, and needle holder caps should be properly cleaned and sterilized between each client. This could include the use of an autoclave or placing the items in a sealed pouch and sterilizing them in a dry heat sterilizer. The pouch should not be reopened until the next client's treatment session begins.
- Where possible, use disposable probes that do not require a probe tip or cap, which will reduce exposure points. If not using disposable probe tips or caps, the removable tip or cap of the epilator needle/probe holder must be cleaned and disinfected after each client.
- Needles used for electrolysis must be single-use, disposable, pre-packaged, and sterile and disposed of in an approved sharps container immediately after use. Sharps containers must be discarded in accordance with biomedical waste regulation.
- Heat produced by the electrical current passing through an electrolysis needle is not sufficient to sterilize it.
- Ultrasonic cleaning units, forceps, and all containers, including their removable parts, must be cleaned and disinfected between each client according to the manufacturer's instructions.



Additional Considerations for Nail Services

- Clients must wash their hands before nail services are provided.
- Workers must wear face coverings at all times, or a respirator where required. Respirators are required where ventilation is insufficient to reduce exposure below permissible exposure limits established in title 8 [section 5155](#). In cases of chemical exposure, only elastomeric respirators with the correct chemical cartridge combined with a particulate filter are appropriate for use.
- Disposable gloves should be worn throughout the entire service and while performing cleaning and disinfection of all implements and surfaces after each client. Once cleaning is finished, remove and dispose of gloves and apply proper hand sanitizer or wash hands with soap and water.
- Pedicures done outside shall be limited to portable tubs/bowls and must be disinfected with an EPA-registered liquid disinfectant that is labeled as a bactericide, fungicide and virucide. Refer to manufacturer's instructions on concentration. The disinfection should occur inside the nail salon and not in the temporary outdoor setting.
- Pedicure bowls must be disinfected with an EPA-registered liquid disinfectant that is labeled as a bactericide, fungicide and virucide. Refer to manufacturer's instructions on concentration. For whirlpool foot spas, air-jet basins or pipeless foot spas, disinfectant must be circulated for at least

10 minutes. For non-whirlpool foot basins and tubs, soak disinfectant in the basin or tub for at least 10 minutes. Foot-spas, basins and pedicure bowls must be properly cleaned and disinfected after every client even if a disposable plastic liner is used.

- Nail salons should use disposable supplies whenever possible. Any non-disposable supplies must be fully disinfected between customers according to the California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology guidelines.
- All single use items, such as cardboard files, sand-bands for drills and buffers, disposable sandals, toe separators, and applicators, must be used once and immediately thrown away in a lined, lidded trash can.
- To reduce the number of touchpoints, remove the nail polish displays. In the absence of a nail polish display, use a color palette, which is to be cleaned and disinfected after each client use. If the nail polish display is not removed, nail polishes should be cleaned and disinfected before being returned to the display.
- Consider whether it is feasible to install a plastic partition between the worker and client with ample space cut out where hands or feet can be slid underneath to conduct the manicure or pedicure.
- Allow only one manicurist to work at each station and do not allow clients to get multiple services at the same time, such as a manicure and pedicure.
- If fans, such as pedestal fans or hard-mounted fans, are used in the salon, take steps to minimize air from fans blowing directly from one person toward another. If fans are disabled or removed, employers should remain aware of possible heat hazards and take steps to mitigate them.
- Nail salons should consider upgrading existing ventilation to include locally exhausted nail tables.



Additional Considerations for Body Art Professionals, Tattoo Parlors, and Piercing Shops

- Disposable gloves are required throughout the tattooing or piercing service and while performing cleaning and disinfection of all implements and surfaces after each customer session.
- Workers should ensure they wash their hands thoroughly with soap and water or use hand sanitizer immediately before putting on and after removing gloves.

- Suspend piercing and tattooing services for the mouth/nose area.
- Chairs should be arranged to ensure at least six feet of space between customers. Establishments should consider additional divider shields or other impermeable barriers where appropriate.
- Workers should provide tattooing or piercing services for only one customer at a time.



Additional Considerations for Massage Services (Non-Healthcare Settings)

- Clients must wash their hands before any services are provided.
- Consider alterations to the treatment table setup to support the required cleaning and disinfecting protocols. This could include using disposable face cradle covers and/or protecting the table, table warmers, bolsters, and other items with washable barriers like pillowcases that can be removed and replaced between each client. Barriers are not a substitution for the required cleaning and disinfecting protocols.
- Evaluate whether facial massages or other hands-on work to the face will be offered. If providing such services, use non-latex gloves for this part of the treatment. Facial massages should not be performed if it requires removal of the client's face covering.
- Provide any hand treatments as the last part of the service.
- Workers should wash their hands immediately upon finishing massage services.

¹ Additional requirements must be considered for vulnerable populations. Personal care providers must comply with all [Cal/OSHA](#) standards and be prepared to adhere to its guidance as well as guidance from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) and the [California Department of Public Health \(CDPH\)](#). Additionally, employers should be prepared to alter their operations as those guidelines change.





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GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor

November 19, 2020

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: Limited Stay At Home Order

Upon assessment of the recent, unprecedented rate of rise in increase in COVID-19 cases across California, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is taking immediate actions to prevent the spread of the virus. These immediate actions will help reduce community spread, protect individuals at higher risk of severe illness or death from COVID-19, and prevent the state's health care delivery system from becoming overwhelmed. Reducing movement and mixing of individual Californians is critical to decreasing transmission, hospitalizations, and deaths.

Therefore, as the State Public Health Officer, I am issuing a Limited Stay at Home order, effective in counties under Tier One (Purple) of California's Blueprint for a Safer Economy, requiring that all gatherings with members of other households and all activities conducted outside the residence, lodging, or temporary accommodation with members of other households cease between 10:00pm PST and 5:00am PST, except for those activities associated with the operation, maintenance, or usage of critical infrastructure[1] or required by law. This order does not apply to persons experiencing homelessness. Nothing in this order prevents any number of persons from the same household from leaving their residence, lodging, or temporary accommodation, as long as they do not engage in any interaction with (or otherwise gather with) any number of persons from any other household, except as specifically permitted herein.

This Limited Stay at Home Order will reduce opportunities for disease transmission with the goal of decreasing the number of hours individuals are in the community and mixing with individuals outside of their household. Every intervention to decrease mixing of households is critical during this unparalleled increase in case rate rise of about 50 percent during the first week in November. In particular, activities conducted during 10:00pm to 5:00am are often non-essential and more likely related to social activities and gatherings that have a higher likelihood of leading to reduced inhibition and reduced likelihood to adhere to COVID-19 preventive measures (e.g., wearing face coverings and maintaining physical distance).

This order shall take effect on November 21, 2020, at 10:00pm PST.

For counties that move into Tier One (Purple) after the effective date of this Order, the terms of this Order shall apply at 10:00pm PST on day two after the county is assigned to Tier One (Purple). For the purpose of counting days, day one shall be the first full day following the date of the tier assignment.

This order remains in effect until 5:00am PST on December 21, 2020, and may be extended or revised as needed.

This order is issued pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 120125, 120130(c), 120135, 120140, 120145, 120175, 120195 and 131080; EO N-60-20, N-25-20, and other authority provided for under the Emergency Services Act; and other applicable law.



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[1] See the [COVID19.ca.gov](https://www.covid19.ca.gov) Essential Workforce web page for full list of California's Critical Infrastructure workforce.

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Regional Stay At Home Order
12/03/2020

Upon assessment of the recent, unprecedented rise in the rate of increase in COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and test positivity rates across California, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is taking immediate actions to prevent the spread of the virus.

The State, like the nation, continues to record an unprecedented surge in the level of community spread of COVID-19. California implemented an accelerated application of the Blueprint Framework metrics on November 16 and a limited Stay at Home Order issued on November 19. However, in the interim, the number of new cases per day has increased by over 112%, (from 8,743 to 18,588) and the rate of rise of new cases per day continues to increase dramatically. The number of new hospital admissions has increased from 777 on November 15, to 1,651 on December 2, and because of the lag between case identification and hospitalizations, we can only expect these numbers to increase.

Current projections show that without additional intervention to slow the spread of COVID-19, the number of available adult Intensive Care Unit (ICU) beds in the State of California will be at capacity in mid-December. This is a sign that the rate of rise in cases, if it continues, is at risk of overwhelming the ability of California hospitals to deliver healthcare to its residents suffering from COVID-19 and from other illnesses requiring hospital care. ICU beds are a critical resource for individuals who need the most advanced support and care and the ability to add additional ICU capacity is limited by the lack of available ICU nurses and physicians as a result of the nationwide surge in hospitalizations and ICU admissions.

Because the rate of increases in new cases continues to escalate and threatens to overwhelm the state's hospital system, further aggressive action is necessary to respond to the quickly evolving situation. While vaccines are promising future interventions, they are not available to address the immediate risks to healthcare delivery in the current surge. The immediate aggressive institution of additional non-pharmaceutical public health interventions is critical to avoid further overwhelming hospitals and to prevent the need to ration care.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, as Acting State Public Health Officer of the State of California, order:

1. CDPH will evaluate public health based on Regions, responsive to hospital capacity for persons resident in those Regions.
2. CDPH will evaluate the adult ICU bed capacity for each Region and identify on covid19.ca.gov any Regions for which that capacity is less than 15%. When that capacity is less than 15%, the following terms (the Terms of this Order) will apply.
 - a. All gatherings with members of other households are prohibited in the Region except as expressly permitted herein.
 - b. All individuals living in the Region shall stay home or at their place of residence except as necessary to conduct activities associated with the operation, maintenance, or usage of critical infrastructure,¹ as required by law, or as specifically permitted in this order.
 - c. [Worship](#) and [political expression](#) are permitted outdoors, consistent with existing guidance for those activities.
 - d. Critical infrastructure sectors may operate and must continue to modify operations pursuant to the [applicable sector guidance](#).
 - e. [Guidance](#) related to schools remain in effect and unchanged. Accordingly, when this Order takes effect in a Region, schools that have previously reopened for in-person instruction may remain open, and schools may continue to bring students back for in-person instruction under the [Elementary School Waiver Process](#) or [Cohorting Guidance](#).
 - f. In order to reduce congestion and the resulting increase in risk of transmission of COVID-19 in critical infrastructure retailers, all retailers may operate indoors at no more than 20% capacity and must follow the [guidance for retailers](#). All access to retail must be strictly metered to ensure compliance with the limit on capacity. The sale of food, beverages, and alcohol for in-store consumption is prohibited.
 - g. To promote and protect the physical and mental well-being of people in California, outdoor recreation facilities may continue to operate. Those facilities may not sell food or drink for on-site consumption. Overnight stays at

¹ See <https://covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/> for full list of California's Critical Infrastructure workforce.

campgrounds are not permitted.

- h. Nothing in this Order prevents any number of persons from the same household from leaving their residence, lodging, or temporary accommodation, as long as they do not engage in any interaction with (or otherwise gather with) any number of persons from any other household, except as specifically permitted herein.
 - i. Terms (a) and (b) of this section do not apply to persons experiencing homelessness.
- 3. Except as otherwise required by law, no hotel or lodging entity in California shall accept or honor out of state reservations for non-essential travel, unless the reservation is for at least the minimum time period required for quarantine and the persons identified in the reservation will quarantine in the hotel or lodging entity until after that time period has expired.
- 4. This order shall take effect on December 5, 2020 at 1259pm PST.
- 5. For Regions where the adult ICU bed capacity falls below 15% after the effective date of this order, the Terms of this Order shall take effect 24 hours after that assessment.
- 6. The Terms of this Order shall remain in place for at least three weeks from the date the order takes effect in a Region and shall continue until CDPH's four-week projections of the Region's total available adult ICU bed capacity is greater than or equal to 15%. Four-week adult ICU bed capacity projections will be made approximately twice a week, unless CDPH determines that public health conditions merit an alternate projection schedule. If after three weeks from the effective date of the Terms of this Order in a Region, CDPH's four-week projections of the Region's total available adult ICU bed capacity is greater than or equal to 15%, the Terms of this Order shall no longer apply to the Region
- 7. After the termination of the Terms of this Order in a Region, each county within the Region will be assigned to a tier based on the [Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#) as set out in my August 28, 2020 Order, and the County is subject to the restrictions of the Blueprint appropriate to that tier.
- 8. I will continue to monitor the epidemiological data and will modify this Regional Stay-at-Home Order as required by the evolving public health conditions. If I determine that it is necessary to change the Terms of this Order, or otherwise modify the Regional Stay-at-Home Order, these modifications will be posted at covid19.ca.gov.

9. When operative in a Region, the Terms of this Order supersede any conflicting terms in other CDPH orders, directives, or guidance. Specifically, for those Regions with ICU bed capacity triggering this order, the Terms of this Order shall supersede the State's [Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#) and all guidance (other than guidance for critical infrastructure sectors) during the operative period. In all Regions that are not subject to the restrictions in this order, the [Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#) and all guidance shall remain in effect.
10. This order is issued pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 120125, 120130(c), 120135, 120140, 120145, 120175, 120195 and 131080; EO N-60-20, N-25-20, and other authority provided for under the Emergency Services Act; and other applicable law.



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COVID-19

COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization Recommendations for Moving Through Vaccine Phases and Tiers

January 7, 2021

Given the limited supply of COVID-19 vaccines, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) recommends balancing the prioritization of these scarce resources to maximize the goal of achieving community immunity for all Californians.

After focused and appropriate efforts to reach the individual groups currently prioritized, health departments and providers may offer doses promptly to people in lower priority groups when:

- Demand subsides in the current groups, or
- Doses are about to expire according to labeling instructions.

To maximize vaccine administration and reduce the potential for vaccine wastage, local health departments and providers should immediately administer COVID-19 vaccines to individuals in all tiers of Phase 1a. Providers offering vaccines should consider partnering with other providers or organizations to provide vaccinations for individuals in the prioritized tiers. However, local health departments and providers should make special efforts to administer the vaccine to vaccinators.

Local health departments and providers may allocate doses on the assumption that immunization will be accepted by some but not all who are offered the vaccine, and then continue to offer vaccinations to all individuals in progressive priority tiers. If a county has maximized use of the vaccine to administer individuals in Phase 1a, they should move to Phase 1b, Tier 1 while continuing to offer vaccines to those in higher priority groups.

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Tulare County Public Health Releases COVID-19 Vaccine Schedule

*COVID-19 Vaccinations Are Underway for Phase 1A of Distribution Plan,
County Offers COVID-19 Vaccine Interest Form for Tulare County Residents*

The COVID-19 virus continues to spread at alarming rates throughout Tulare County. In the midst of an ongoing surge of infections following holiday social gatherings, Tulare County Public Health releases its COVID-19 Vaccine Schedule for distribution and delivery of the much-anticipated vaccine to end the pandemic. For the COVID-19 Vaccine Schedule in Tulare County and for the latest information on the COVID-19 vaccine, visit: <https://covid19.tularecounty.ca.gov/covid-19-vaccine/>.

Vaccinating NOW – Phase 1A

Due to limited supplies of COVID-19 vaccine, Tulare County is currently distributing COVID-19 vaccine to those eligible in **Phase 1A ONLY**. The following people qualify to receive vaccinations within Phase 1A:

Phase 1A, Tier 1:

- Acute care, psychiatric, and correctional facility hospital staff
- Skilled nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, special needs group living equivalent
- Paramedics, EMTs, and others providing medical emergency services
- Dialysis centers
- Residents in long-term care settings
- Staff of residential and inpatient substance abuse disorder treatment and mental health facilities

Phase 1A, Tier 2:

- Intermediate care facilities staff
- Home health care and in-home supportive services
- Community health workers, including promotoras
- Public health field staff
- Primary care clinics, including Federally Qualified Health Centers, Rural Health Centers, correctional facility clinics, and urgent care clinics

Phase 1A, Tier 3:

- Specialty health care clinics (i.e., optometry, cardiology, neurology, outpatient, surgery, physical therapy, etc.)
- Laboratory workers
- Dental and other oral health clinics
- Pharmacy staff not working in settings at higher tiers
- Mortuary service industry

If you meet the eligibility requirements for Phase 1A, you can register to get vaccinated at:

<https://covid19.tularecounty.ca.gov/covid-19-vaccine/tulare-county-covid-19-vaccine-phase-1a/>

Those receiving vaccines in Phase 1A will be required to show proof of eligibility with either of the following: employer ID badge, employer payment stub, or official letter from employer.

Vaccinating Next – Phase 1B and Phase 1C

Currently, Tulare County Public Health is ONLY vaccinating those who are eligible in Phase 1A.

Once COVID-19 vaccine supply expands and those who qualify for Phase 1A have been vaccinated,



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Tulare County Public Health will begin vaccinating residents that meet the requirements of distribution to Phase 1B and Phase 1C of the COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Plan. Phase 1B and Phase 1C include the following:

Phase 1B

Phase 1B, Tier 1:

- Individuals aged 75 years and older
- Essential workers in the following sectors: education, childcare, emergency services, and food and agriculture

Phase 1B, Tier 2:

- Individuals aged 65-74 years of age
- Essential workers in the following sectors: transportation and logistics; industrial, commercial, residential, and sheltering facilities and services; critical manufacturing
- Congregate settings: incarceration facilities and homeless

Phase 1C

- Individuals 50-64 years of age
- Persons aged 16 – 64 years with high-risk medical conditions
- Essential workers in the following sectors: water and wastewater; defense; energy; chemical and hazardous materials; communications and IT; financial services; government operations/community-based essential functions

Tulare County COVID-19 Vaccine Interest Form

Tulare County residents who don't qualify for Phase 1A can inform County health officials of their intent to get vaccinated for COVID-19 by completing the Tulare County COVID-19 Vaccine Interest Form.

Residents can sign up for vaccine notifications of when they are eligible and where they can go to get vaccinated by completing the Tulare County COVID-19 Vaccine Interest Form online at:

<https://arcg.is/0KKez4>.

Until the COVID-19 vaccine is widely available, it is imperative to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in Tulare County by practicing both social and physical distancing of six feet or more between persons and not participating in social gatherings of any kind. Residents must always wear a face mask or covering while in environments where physical distancing is not possible and while in public settings. In addition, everyone is encouraged to frequently wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer, regularly disinfect high-touch surfaces, and stay home if you are sick or instructed to isolate/quarantine by a medical or public health professional.

For more information about COVID-19, visit www.tchhsa.org/ncov and www.covid19.tularecounty.ca.gov

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VACCINATING NOW

PHASE 1A

Persons at risk of exposure to SARS-CoV-2 through direct health care or long-term care settings.

TIER 1

- Acute care, psychiatric, and correctional facility hospital staff
- Skilled nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, special needs group living equivalent
- Paramedics, EMTs, and others providing emergency medical services
- Dialysis centers
- Residents in long-term care settings
- Staff of residential and inpatient substance abuse disorder treatment and mental health facilities

TIER 2

- Intermediate care facilities staff
- Home health care and in-home supportive services
- Community health workers including promotoras
- Public health field staff
- Primary care clinics, including federally qualified health centers, rural health centers, correctional facility clinics, urgent care clinics

VACCINATING NEXT

PHASE 1B

- Persons aged 75 years and older
- Frontline essential workers

PHASE 1C

- Persons ages 65 to 74 years
- Persons ages 16 to 64 years

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Overview of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program

Background

On December 27, 2020 the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021 was signed into law and \$25 billion was allocated to the United States Treasury (UST) for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) to assist households that are unable to pay rent or utilities due to the COVID-10 pandemic. California received \$2.6 of the federal ERAP funds. To implement these rental assistance resources, the state of CA worked with state legislation to develop a programmatic framework to ease administration burden and deploy these resources to those most in need.

On January 28th, the Legislature approved SB 91. This bill extended the eviction protections and created a mechanism to deploy the \$2.6 billion in ERAP resources to assist struggling tenants and landlords impacted by COVID-19. The bill allocated \$1.5 billion to the state and \$1.1 billion directly to local governments with populations with more than 200,000. The bill establishes the criteria and prioritization for use of the state-administered rental assistance funding from the federal bill.

Local governments with populations of 200,000 and greater that received a direct allocation of funding for rental assistance from the federal government could also qualify for block grant funding from the state's \$1.5 billion share. Counties were given the option to take the funds and administer their own program or to participate in the state-administered program. Tulare County has opted to participate in the state administered program. The state administered program will be managed centrally by the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC).

Under state statute the rental assistance program is to be implemented by March 15, 2021. Ninety percent of the funding is to be directed towards financial assistance and ten percent for administration of the program.

Program Requirements

While not a full comprehensive list, the key program requirements include the following:

- For those landlords who agree to participate, funding will be available to pay up to 80 percent of an eligible household's unpaid rent accumulated from April 2020 through March 2021, provided that the landlord agrees to forgive the remaining 20 percent.
- In cases where the landlord chooses not to participate, tenants can apply for assistance for rental arrears, but are be limited to compensation of 25% of the eligible household's unpaid rent accumulated from April 2020 through March 2021 which will be paid to the landlord. The program also allows for prospective payments of 25% of the monthly rent for the months of April, May, and June 2021.
- Funds are to be administered in a least three rounds to eligible households. Prioritizing: (1) those households under 50% of the area median income (AMI) or unemployed for 90 days; (2) Below 80% AMI and in communities disproportionately affected by COVID-19 (as determined by the Department of Housing and Community Development); (3) Below 80% AMI not included in round 1 and 2.
- The top priority for the use of assistance funding would be rental arrears; followed by prospective rent payments, utility payments (both arrears and prospective payments)

LISC and Local Partnership

Given the rapid implementation timeframes, the one-time nature of these funds, among other considerations, the State believed that a central administrative structure would be most effective in deploying these resources in an effective and compliant manner. They contracted with LISC to administering the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP). LISC will be responsible in providing the following support and oversight:

- State outreach and education campaign with adaptability for local messaging.
- Standardized, federally consistent application and eligibility criteria, accessible to both landlords and tenants.
- Contracted solution with a state-wide network, including rural areas.
- Robust, multi-lingual client support and technical assistance.
- Processing of Applications (input, review, verification, fraud control, notifications to tenant and landlord, verification of accounts, disbursement of payment, reporting per state and federal government requirements, downstream audit management).
- Central privacy protections and fraud control.
- Management of duplication of benefits in accordance with the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021.
- Application portal to begin receiving applications from landlords and tenants.

LISC is seeking nonprofit and community-based organizations with capacity to provide local on-the-ground support to residents to help them access rental assistance. LISC will work with local partners and organizations within Tulare County to ensure all potential applicants know about the ERAP and receive the needed program assistance.

There are three tiers of partnership: Tier 1-Promotion, Tier 2-Outreach, and Tier 3-Technical Assistance. Local partners who want to partner with LISC will need to submit an application. Partner requirements include:

- Registered non-profits and quasi-government entities providing services to residents in communities served by this program
- Must have an EIN
- Must have a DUNS number
- Must be active on the CA Secretary of State website
- Must be registered on SAM website
- If applicable, non-profits must have actively filed 990 Forms

Organizations that do not have the above information are not eligible for Tier 2 and Tier 3 partnership but may still apply under the Tier 1 program. All applicants will be considered based on capacity to successfully reach their proposed community. Tier 2 and 3 will also be evaluated based on ability to successfully administer federal funds. First round of applications were due Monday, February 22. However, ongoing applications can still be submitted after the 22nd and will be reviewed on an ongoing basis throughout the program. To apply go to <https://lisc.tfaforms.net/308>

Eviction Protections

- SB 91 extends the states current eviction moratorium for tenants unable to pay rent due to COVID related financial hardships, as established under AB 3088, by five months, from January 31, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- Tenants must continue to pay 25% of their rental obligations, as required under AB 3088, through June 30, 2021. During this time as tenants continue to pay at least 25% of their rent, then they are protected from eviction for any unpaid rent that has accumulated through June 30 and it can never be used as the basis for eviction. The 25% may be paid monthly or as a lump sum by June 30, 2021.



State of California—Health and Human
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February 19, 2021

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: Outdoor and Indoor Youth and Recreational Adult Sports

Note: The following guidance takes effect on February 26, 2021. See the current guidance in effect until then.

Summary

COVID-19 continues to pose a severe risk to communities and requires all people in California to follow recommended precautions. This guidance provides direction on outdoor and indoor youth and recreational adult sports activities to support a safe environment for these sports. The guidance applies to all **organized** youth sports and recreation— including school- and community-sponsored programs, and privately-organized clubs and leagues — and adult recreational sports (hereafter youth and adult sports). This guidance does not apply to collegiate or professional sports. Additionally, this guidance does not apply to community events, such as marathons, half-marathons, and endurance races.

Inter-team competitions (i.e., between two teams) resumed in California beginning January 25, 2021. **The guidelines outlined in this document shall take effect on February 26, 2021.**

The status of return-to-competition is subject to change at any time given the level of COVID-19 transmission in California.

Sports Risk Profiles

In general, the more people from outside their household with whom a person interacts, the closer the physical interaction is, the greater the physical exertion is, and the longer the interaction lasts, the higher the risk that a person with COVID-19 infection may spread it to others.

Youth and adult sports include varied activities that have different levels of risk for transmission of COVID-19. Outdoor activities present significantly lower risk of transmission relative to comparative indoor activities, based on current scientific evidence. Competition between different teams also increases mixing across groups and outside of communities, which also contributes to the potential for spread of COVID-19 disease.

Youth and adult sports are classified below by their level of contact and transmission risk. This classification applies to competition or training/practice with others. It does not apply to individual conditioning or exercise.

The Tables below are not exhaustive, but provide examples of sports with different levels of contact so that the level of risk can be assessed for other sports.

Low-Contact Sports

Individual or small group sports where contact within six feet of other participants can be avoided. Some of these sports have relatively low exertion rates that allow for consistent wearing of face coverings when within six feet of other people.

Moderate-Contact Sports

Team sports that can be played with only incidental or intermittent close contact between participants.

High-Contact Sports

Team sports with frequent or sustained close contact (and in many cases, face-to-face contact) between participants and high probability that respiratory particles will be transmitted between participants.

Factors Affecting the Risk of Transmission

- Risk increases when face coverings are not worn, and physical distancing is not maintained.
- Risk increases with increasing levels of contact between participants; closer contact (particularly face-to-face contact), and the frequency and total duration of close contact, increases the risk that respiratory particles will be transmitted between participants.
- Risk increases with greater exertion levels; greater exertion increases the rate of breathing and the quantity of air that is inhaled and exhaled with every breath.
- Risk increases with mixing of cohorts and groups, particularly when from different communities (during or outside of sports play); mixing with more people increases the risk that an infectious person will be present.

General Guidance for Youth and Adult Sports Participants, Coaches, and Support Staff

It should be noted that local health departments and school districts may have stricter rules and should be consulted to confirm what is allowed.

General Requirements for All Sports:

Irrespective of setting (outdoor or indoor) case rate or sport played, the following general guidance requirements must be adhered to at all times:

- Face coverings to be worn when not participating in the activity (e.g., on the sidelines).
- Face coverings to be worn by coaches, support staff and **observers** at all times, and in compliance with the CDPH Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings.
- Observers maintain at least 6 feet from non-household members.
- No sharing of drink bottles and other personal items and equipment.
- Mixing with other households prior to and post any practice or competition must strictly adhere to current gathering guidance.
- Limit indoor sports activities (practice, conditioning) to comply with capacity limits (which shall include all athletes, coaches, and observers) indicated in current CDPH Gym & Fitness Center Guidance Capacity.

- Associated indoor activities for the team (e.g., dinners, film study) are prohibited if engaged in competition given evidence that transmission is more likely to occur in these indoor higher risk settings.
- Teams must not participate in out-of-state games and tournaments; several multistate outbreaks have been reported around the nation, including California residents.

Limitations on Observers

- Limit observation of youth sports (age 18 years and under) to immediate household members, and for the strict purpose of age appropriate supervision. This includes observation of practice and competition. Limit number of observers to ensure physical distance can be maintained, reduce potential crowding, and maintain indoor and outdoor capacity limits.
- Consider Video streaming of games so that they can be watched "live" from home
- For adult sports, spectators are not permitted at this time.

Limitations for Inter-Team Competitions and Tournaments

- Inter-team competitions, meets, races, or similar events are permitted to occur only if (a) both teams are located in the same county and the sport is authorized in the Tables below; or (b) teams are located in immediately bordering counties and the sport is authorized in both counties in the Tables below.
 - The county-based authorizations outlined in the Table below apply to the locations/counties in which the teams, schools, clubs, leagues, and similar organizations are functionally based (e.g., where the players reside, where facilities are located, etc.).
 - Local Health Departments to be notified of any cross county competitions within their jurisdiction and reserve the right under their own discretion to deny the competition at any time in their jurisdiction. Teams participating in cross county competitions will follow the more stringent rules if the participating teams are coming from counties that may be at different case rate thresholds.
- Teams adhere to current CDPH Travel Advisory recommendations when determining travel for competition in neighboring counties.
- No tournaments or events that involve more than two teams to occur. Exceptions may be made, with authorization from the local health department where the event is being held and each of the local health departments where teams originate from, for sports where individual competitors from multiple teams are routine such as: track and field; cross-country; golf; skiing/snowboarding; tennis; swimming/diving/surfing; biking and equestrian events.
- Only one competition, per team, per day maximum to be played.

Permitted Youth and Recreational Adult Sports by Case Rate Threshold

- Physical conditioning, practice, skill-building, and training that can be conducted outdoors, with 6 feet of physical distancing, and within stable cohorts are authorized regardless of case rate or sport. Such activities may be conducted indoors consistent with restrictions by Tier in the Gym & Fitness Center Guidance Capacity.

Other General Guidance

Below are other general guidance that are strongly encouraged as part of any participation in sport. Depending on risk level (high or moderate) and county case rates, these general guidance may be **required** for play of outdoor sports in less restrictive tiers, as specified below.

Face Coverings

- Face coverings worn by participants during practice, conditioning and during competition, even during heavy exertion as tolerated. See the American Academy of Pediatrics Interim Guidance on Return to Sports [1] for specific exceptions where the face covering may become a hazard.

Physical Distancing

- Maintain at least six feet of distance between sport participants and others to the maximum extent possible, including when on the sidelines.

- Maintain at least 6 feet of distance between coaches and participants and facilitate physical distancing between participants to the maximum extent possible (e.g., staggered starts instead of mass starts for races).

Informed Consent

- Due to the nature and risk of transmission while participating in Outdoor High-Contact and Moderate-Contact sports, provide information regarding risk to all parents/guardians of minors participating in such sports, and have each parent sign an informed consent indicating their understanding and acknowledgement of the risks indicated herein.

Testing

- Unless required as noted below, regular and postseason antigen or PCR testing of sports participants and coaches weekly while participating in Outdoor High-Contact sports is strongly encouraged. If competing, testing performed with test results made available within 24 hours of play.

Hygiene and Equipment Sanitation

- When equipment is shared during an activity, participants perform hand hygiene (wash hands with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer) before play, during breaks, at half time, and after the conclusion of the activity.
 - Balls or other objects or equipment can be touched by multiple players during practice and play if the above hand hygiene practices are followed.

Limitations on Mixing by Participants

- Limit participation by athletes and coaches during practice and competition to one team, and refrain from participating with more than one team over the same season or time period. For larger teams, limit mixing by establishing stable smaller training groups for drills and conditioning.
- Review practice or game footage virtually, to the greatest extent possible. If not feasible, then it should be conducted outdoors, with all participants wearing face coverings and following appropriate physical distancing measures.

Indoor Venue Capacity Limitations

- Ventilation in indoor venues (gyms or other fitness centers) increased to the maximum extent possible.

Travel Considerations

- Bus/van travel for members of a team may pose a greater risk. To mitigate COVID-19 transmission risk during bus/van travel, employ universal masking, physical distancing and windows to remain open the full duration of the trip unless not feasible.
- Plan for proper communication of all travel rules, protocols and expectations to everyone in the travel party. When feasible, teams should aim to travel and play the same day to avoid overnight stays.
- Travel by private car limited to only those within the immediate household.

Returning to Sports After Infection

- No one with symptoms of COVID-19 or who is in isolation or quarantine for COVID-19 is permitted to attend practices or competitions.
- Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should consult their physician for testing and notify their coach, athletic trainer and/or school administrator of their symptoms and test results.
- Youths recovering from COVID-19 will have different paths to return to sports based on the severity of their illness. See the American Academy of Pediatrics Interim Guidance on Return to Sports [1] for additional guidance for more serious infections.

Vaccination of Eligible Households

- Sports participants, including coaches and support staff, are strongly encouraged to be vaccinated once eligible as vaccines will protect residents and reduce the likelihood of transmission from infected persons to others.

Table: Youth and Adult Recreational Sports* Permitted by Current Tier of County

Widespread Tier (Purple)	Substantial Tier (Red)	Moderate Tier (Orange)	Minimal Tier (Yellow)
1	2	3	4
Outdoor low-contact sports • Archery • Badminton (singles) • Biking • Bocce • Corn hole • Cross country • Dance (no contact) • Disc golf • Equestrian events (including rodeos) that involve only a single rider at a time • Fencing • Golf • Ice and roller skating (no contact) • Lawn bowling • Martial arts (no contact) • Physical training programs (e.g., yoga, Zumba, Tai chi) • Pickleball (singles) • Rowing/crew (with 1 person) • Running • Shuffleboard • Skeet shooting • Skiing and snowboarding • Snowshoeing • Swimming and diving • Tennis (singles) • Track and field • Walking and hiking	Outdoor moderate-contact sports • Badminton (doubles) • Baseball • Cheerleading • Dodgeball • Field hockey • Gymnastics • Kickball • Lacrosse (girls/women) • Pickleball (doubles) • Softball • Tennis (doubles) • Volleyball	Outdoor high-contact sports • Basketball • Football • Ice hockey • Lacrosse (boys/men) • Rugby • Rowing/crew (with 2 or more people) • Soccer • Water polo Indoor low-contact sports • Badminton (singles) • Curling • Dance (no contact) • Gymnastics • Ice skating (individual) • Physical training • Pickleball (singles) • Swimming and diving • Tennis (singles) • Track and field • Bowling	Indoor moderate-contact sports • Badminton (doubles) • Cheerleading • Dance (intermittent contact) • Dodgeball • Kickball • Pickleball (doubles) • Racquetball • Squash • Tennis (doubles) • Volleyball Indoor high-contact sports • Basketball • Boxing • Ice hockey • Ice skating (pairs) • Martial arts • Roller derby • Soccer • Water polo • Wrestling

***Play in Less Restrictive Tiers: Outdoor High-Contact Sports**

Outdoor high-contact sports (orange tier) can be played in the purple or red tier with an adjusted case rate equal to or less than 14 per 100,000 under the following conditions:

Implement and strictly adhere to the following additional general guidance:

- Informed Consent
- Testing – antigen or PCR (regular and postseason antigen or PCR testing of sports participants and coaches weekly. If competing, testing performed with test results made available within 24 hours of play)

Note: The testing requirement above shall only apply in the following situations:

- For football, rugby and water polo as these are high contact sports that are likely to be played unmasked, with close, face to face contact exceeding 15 minutes.
- When adjusted case rates for the county are between 14-7 per 100,000.
- For sport participants 13 years of age or above as evidence shows that younger children do not seem to be major sources of transmission—either to each other or to adults.
- *If more than 50% of a team's participants are less than the age of 13 (and are not required to test per the above), then the entire team is exempted from the testing requirement. Coaches, however, will still be required to meet the testing requirement.

Additional general guidance that should be implemented to the greatest extent possible and are strongly encouraged

- Face Coverings (during play)
- Physical Distancing (during play)
- Testing – antigen or PCR
- Hygiene and Sanitation
- Limitations on mixing by participants
- Travel Considerations

***Play in Less Restrictive Tiers: Outdoor Moderate-Contact Sports**

Outdoor moderate-contact sports (red tier) can be played in the purple tier with an adjusted case rate equal to or less than 14 per 100,000 under the following conditions:

Implement and strictly adhere to the following additional general guidance:

- Informed Consent

Additional general guidance that should be implemented to the greatest extent possible and are strongly encouraged

- Face Coverings (during play)
- Physical Distancing (during play)
- Hygiene and Sanitation
- Limitations on mixing by participants
- Travel Considerations

If competition for high- and moderate-contact sports is permitted to resume in a county pursuant to this updated guidance, competition is not required to cease if the county's adjusted case rate exceeds the 14 per 100,000 threshold.

[1] American Academy of Pediatrics COVID-19 Interim Guidance: Return to Sports web page (services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-interim-guidance-return-to-sports)

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