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Governor's Office Allows Additional Activities and Services

Amador County, CA – Over the weekend, the Governor's Office re-interpreted portions of the State Stay-at-Home Mandate: https://covid19.ca.gov. This modification reflects additional allowable recreational activities and additional essential services, for example: real estate in-person property showing is allowable. The Governor's Office also expects to move to allowing more business operations by Friday, 5/8/2020, if the business has a COVID-19 health and safety plan in place.

In order to stay in concert with and not more restrictive than the State-mandated Stay-at-Home Order, Amador County Health Officer, Dr. Rita Kerr, in cooperation with Amador County Counsel, has issued a Revised Amador County Stay at Home Order effective today, May 4, 2020.

The statewide Stay-at-Home Order is still in effect until further notice, and that order continues to restrict non-essential travel. Non-essential travel and lack of physical distancing are factors that are highly likely to lead to an increase in COVID-19 disease transmission.

As part of our local and regional planning to reopen Amador County, in alignment with the State Roadmap for Modifying the Stay-at-Home Order, Public Health is coordinating with County leadership, City elected officials, Tribal representatives and Sutter Amador Hospital. Our goal is to provide a toolkit of safe operating protocols for our businesses, recreation, hospitality and community agencies to prepare to implement measures to minimize the risk of COVID-19 transmission as we anticipate further direction from the State. Amador County will only be allowed to implement reopening plans once the State authorizes us to do so.

Amador County has been fortunate to have a low number of cases and no deaths due to COVID-19 to date. Our status remains in containment with no evidence of sustained community transmission, and we thank the public for their cooperation in achieving that. We understand the economic and personal challenges that the Stay at Home Order presents. We are planning for, and look forward to, moving safely into the next stage of modifying the statewide order, as more information comes to us from the State.