

Placer County Reopening under COVID... Stage 2 as of May 29, 2020.

Placer County is now in later Stage 2.

Below are guidelines and checklists for businesses to follow if they are permitted to open. Review the guidance that is relevant to your workplace, prepare a plan based on the guidance for your industry, and put it into action.

Stage 2 – Lower-Risk Workplaces

Gradually opening some lower-risk workplaces with adaptations at a pace designed to protect public health and safety, starting with:

- Retail
- Manufacturing
- Offices (when telework not possible)
- Outdoor Museums
- Limited Personal Services

Limit time outside the home and travel only for permissible activities, such as healthcare, food, outdoor exercise and recreation (individuals and households only). Stage 1 and 2 work, and local shopping or other activities related to open sectors. Some counties may move more quickly through stage 2, following guidelines laid out on the [county variance page](#).

Other counties may maintain more restrictive public health measures.

Hotels & Lodging

Hotels and lodging

This [guidance for the hotels and lodging](#) provides guidelines to create a safer environment for workers. Under the current statewide Stay-at-Home order, hotels should only open for COVID-19 mitigation and containment measures, treatment measures, providing accommodation for essential workers, or providing housing solutions, including measures to protect homeless populations. Review the guidance, prepare a plan, and post the [checklist for hotels and lodging](#) in your workplace to show customers and employees that you've reduced the risk and are open for business.

What about short-term rentals?

Under the governor's Executive Order, which remains in effect until further notice, lodging is not on the list of allowed essential business operations. These restrictions apply to the commercial use of short-term rentals. Exceptions include accommodations for COVID-19 mitigation or containment measures, or to house COVID-19 essential workers.

Nevada County STRs – New Revised Orders... as of May 29, 2020.

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Re: Public Health - Coronavirus

Posted on: May 26, 2020

Nevada County Public Health Officer Issues Revised Short-Term Rental Order

Nevada County still under statewide Order

Short-term rentals can be rented for stage 2 business travel, to essential service workers and COVID impacted persons (See attached Nevada County Public Health Officer Amended Order of May 21 re: STRs).

On March 19th, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20, requiring all persons residing in the State to remain in their homes or places of residence, except as needed to maintain the continuity of operations for critical infrastructure

Nevada County Health Officer, Dr. Ken Cutler, issued a local Order to clarify that while short-term lodging facilities may help temporarily house local homeless and displaced populations or critical infrastructure workers, they should not house people for non-essential needs such as short-term vacation rentals. This revised Nevada County Order clarifies that these short-term lodging facilities may be rented for stage 2 business travel as well as essential service workers and for isolated housing for COVID impacted persons. Further, this revised Order defines short-term lodging to include campgrounds and RV parks as well as hotels, motels and rented homes or condos.

Stage 2 has expanded what industries are permitted to operate, allowing for “lower-risk” workplaces to open after taking precautions to protect their employees and customers. Stage 2 does not include travel or lodging for leisure or tourism. An updated list of open sectors can be found at www.covid19.ca.gov/roadmap. Nevada County is following the necessary steps set forth by the state to reopen as quickly and safely as possible.

“We are fortunate that we met the criteria to advance through Stage 2 and can now allow for certain businesses to open sooner than they would if they had to move at the pace of the State as a whole, but this should not be viewed as an indication that we are now risk-free,” said Jill Blake, Public Health Director. “In fact, there is a greater responsibility on businesses and

customers to work to reduce the risk of disease transmission as we reopen Stage 2 businesses in Nevada County.”

The state-wide shelter-at-home order has not been lifted and those who are most at-risk for serious illness due to COVID-19 should do their best to continue to abide by it. We encourage everyone in our community to continue to stay informed as we navigate this rapidly changing situation together.

Find local, up-to-date information and links to state and federal guidance at
www.mynevadacounty.com/coronavirus

Attached: May 21, 2020 two-page Amended Order from Nv Co Public Health...

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NEVADA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER

AMENDED ORDER REGARDING CLARIFICATION OF GOVERNOR'S AND STATE HEALTH OFFICER'S "STAY-AT-HOME" ORDER AS RELATED TO LODGING FACILITIES

DATE OF ORDER: MAY 21, 2020

This Amended Order replaces the Nevada County Public Health Officer's Stay-at-Home Order as Related to Lodging Facilities, dated March 24, 2020, and shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified in writing by the Nevada County Public Health Officer.

WHEREAS, a state of emergency has been declared by the State of California, and local emergencies have been declared in Nevada County in response to the virus COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in Nevada County, as well as throughout California and the nation, there are insufficient quantities of critical healthcare infrastructure, including hospital beds, ventilators and workers, capable of adequately treating mass numbers of patients at a single time - should the virus spread unchecked; and

WHEREAS, in direct response to that lack of healthcare infrastructure, governments across the nation are taking actions to slow the spread of COVI D-19 in order to "flatten the curve" of infection and reduce the numbers of individuals infected at any one time by minimizing situations where the virus can spread; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this effort, on March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20, requiring all persons residing in the State to remain in their homes or places of residence, except as needed to maintain the continuity of operations for critical infrastructure (the "Stay-at-Home Order"); and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the Governor issued additional guidance identifying "Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers" in order to effectuate the Stay-at-Home Order (the "Guidance"). This Guidance, which is attached hereto as an Exhibit and incorporated by this reference, identifies various industry sectors that are deemed essential to maintain the continuity of operations for critical infrastructure, and which thus, may continue to operate notwithstanding the Stay-at-Home Order; and

WHEREAS, the Guidance further lists specific jobs and functions within those critical infrastructure sectors that are deemed "necessary". This includes hotels and lodging activities related to isolating or quarantining persons infected with or exposed to the COVI D-19 virus, or housing workers performing jobs deemed essential to maintaining critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, through this Amended Order, the Nevada County Health Officer wishes to provide clarity and guidance to businesses in the lodging sector of Nevada County, regarding operations under the

Governor's and State Health Officer's Stay-At-Home Order, including amendments related to permissible travel for access to short-term lodging for individuals working in "essential businesses and open sectors" listed in Stage 2 of the Resilience Roadmap, and therefore issues the following:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Nevada County Health Officer clarifies the Governor's Stay-at-Home Order as follows:

1. Short-term lodging facilities (including hotels, motels, condominiums, campgrounds, RV parks, or other units) which are used for COVID-19 mitigation and containment measures, including measures to protect homeless populations, may continue to operate for the limited purpose of providing such mitigation and containment measures (examples include: isolation and quarantine or the housing of displaced persons).
2. Short-term lodging facilities (including hotels, motels, condominiums, campgrounds, RV parks, or other units) may continue to operate for individuals requiring lodging for the performance of functions essential to maintaining the continuity of operations for critical infrastructure, as listed in the attached guidelines, as well as individuals who work in essential businesses and open sectors in Nevada County. An updated list of current essential businesses and open sectors may be found at <http://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/>. Travel to and from short-term lodging facilities for these purposes shall be permitted.
3. In the event of a question or uncertainty as to whether a particular short-term lodging use falls within the Governor's or Nevada County Health Officer's exemptions (i.e., whether it constitutes a mitigation or containment measure, or involves a critical infrastructure, essential business, or open sector worker), a written determination from the Nevada County Health Officer, or the Nevada County Director of Emergency Services that the use is authorized, or a directive from any of those entities to allow the use, shall be adequate to authorize such use. In the event it is not possible to obtain a determination in writing, such determination may be received orally and documented by the lodging provider (name of authorizing person, entity and date/time authorization made).
4. This Order is made in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws, including but not limited to: Health and Safety Code sections 101030, et seq.; Health and Safety Code sections 120100, et seq.; and Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations section 2501
5. This Order shall be effective immediately and will remain in effect until rescinded or modified by the Nevada County Public Health Officer.
6. If any provision of this Order to the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, 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.
7. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County Government Center at 950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City, CA 95959; (2) posted on the County website (available at www.mynevadacounty.com/coronavirus); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



Dated: May 21, 2020

Dr. Ken Cutler
Public Health Officer
County of Nevada

Town of Truckee COVID latest info... (May 29, 2020)



As of May 22, 2020 the state Stay Home Order remains in place with revised restrictions. **Nevada County's Attestation of Readiness has been approved by the State & have moved further into Stage 2.** The Truckee Emergency Operations Center is open. Information on COVID-19 (Coronavirus) changes rapidly.

Check with [Nevada County Public Health for the most up to date COVID-19 information and resources.](#)

[For non-COVID related information, click here to access to Town's main website.](#)

May 27, 2020 Update:

Update to What is Happening with Short Term Rentals and Hotels?

***** UPDATE ON SHORT-TERM RENTALS *****

As we noted on May 21, 2020, we have continued to ask for clarification regarding Short Term Rentals (STRs). Nevada County has updated their Short Term Rental Order to clarify that short-term lodging facilities may be rented for:

- **Stage 2 business travel.**
- **Essential service workers.**
- **Isolated housing for COVID-impacted persons.**

The revised Order also defines short-term lodging to include:

- Campgrounds
 - RV Parks
 - Hotels
 - Motels
 - Rented homes
 - Condos
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MESSAGE FROM MAY 21, 2020:

With weather warming up and people starting to look at summer tourism, we have started to receive questions about when short term rentals (STRs) and hotel lodging will open in our area. It is important to point out that the Town of Truckee does not regulate the COVID restrictions on hotels and STR's. The restrictions that are in place are controlled by the State and Nevada County. There has been clear guidance from the County that states the Nevada County Short Term Rental Order still stands. Also, under the governor's Executive Order, which remains in effect until further notice, vacation lodging is not on the list of allowed business operations at this stage in the Resilience Roadmap. **These restrictions apply to the commercial use of short-term rentals.**

Truckee did receive word from Nevada County Public Health that business travel related to Stage 2 businesses was allowed, but only at hotels and not at STR's.

We know this is confusing. Here is how we have interpreted all the information we have received:

- There should be no travel or stays for recreational purposes at hotels or STR's
- Business travel, if your business is allowed in Stage 2, is allowed at hotels but not at STR's
- There is no date available for when recreational travel will be allowed
- Booking recreational travel for any date in the future is at your own risk

We previously advised property owners to block their booking calendars through at least June 15th, but want to caution that bookings may be prohibited for much longer. We understand that for many, this is frustrating and unsettling, and The Town will continue to ask for clarity on these issues.

We want to remind those that choose to make a booking through a short term rental company that the Town of Truckee does not have the authority to retrieve any lost money or to influence a company's refund policy if your stay cannot be complete.

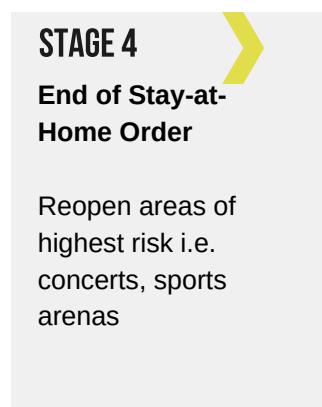
If you are a property manager with questions or concerns, please contact the Town at (530) 582-5280 or TOT@townoftruckee.com.

The Nevada County Short Term Rental Order can be found at:
<https://www.mynevadacounty.com/DocumentCenter/View/33973/03-24-20-Short-Term-Rental-Order-Signed>

COVID-19 BUSINESS FAQ'S

What stage of reopening are we in and what do these stages mean?

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California

Californians have been following the stay-at-home order issued on March 19, 2020. The State is still in Stage 1, but some counties have been approved to move into Stage 2.

Truckee, Nevada County

Nevada County's Readiness Plan was approved by the State, allowing Nevada County--including Truckee--to move into Stage 2 reopening, which allows for certain businesses to reopen.



As we move forward into Stage 2, it's important to follow recommended guidelines such as social distancing, good hygiene & face coverings.



What businesses are allowed to open beginning May 12, 2020?

LOW-RISK BUSINESSES

- Restaurants
- Retail
- Child care
- Manufacturing
- **Hotels—business travel only**
- Car washes
- Pet grooming
- Landscape gardening
- Offices



What businesses remain closed until later stages?

HIGHER-RISK BUSINESSES, IE.

- Hair and nail salons
- Gyms and fitness studios
- Religious services
- Bars and breweries that do not serve full meals
- **Hotels and STRs—Leisure and tourism travel**



What do I need to do before my business can reopen?

IMPLEMENT COVID-19 PREVENTION PLAN

The State and County have specific requirement checklists by sector, which include plan steps to address employee training, cleaning, disinfection, social distancing, and customer signage.



Do I need to submit my checklist once I have completed all steps?

SELF-CERTIFICATION

The checklist is a self-certification. After taking the precautionary measure, post the completed checklist in a place that is visible for staff and customers.



What is the Town of Truckee doing to help businesses?

WAIVED ACTIVITIES

The Town is temporarily suspending certain regulations until July 30, 2020, to allow businesses to conduct more outdoor business activities. This includes outdoor dining, extending retail sales outside, and using parking spaces as an extension of the business. No special permitting is required.



Where can I get the complete guidelines for my business?

STATE & COUNTY GUIDELINES

Nevada County Health and Human Services has all guidelines and resources on their website.

Questions can be directed to:
COVID19recovery@co.nevada.ca.us
or 1-833-DIAL-211



El Dorado County STRs Orders during COVID, as of May 29, 2020.

Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Guidance

Short-term Lodging Facility Directive

Dr. Nancy Williams, El Dorado County's Public Health Officer, issued a Directive clarifying Governor Newsom's March 19th "Stay At Home" Order as it relates to short-term lodging. [COVID-19 Short Term Rental Directive](#) *see attached...*

Reopening Guidelines for Businesses, Employers; Physical Distancing Guidelines for Restaurants & Bars

 [COVID19 Reopening Guidance Businesses and Employers.pdf](#)

Retail Food, Beverage and Other Related Service Venues:

On March 18, 2020, El Dorado County Environmental Management provided guidance to local retail food, beverage and other related service venues. This guidance is based on recommendations from the Governor of California, California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and Dr. Nancy Williams, Public Health Officer of El Dorado County. A summary of this guidance is included below:

- 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
- Restaurants should be closed for in-restaurant seated dining, and should be open only to drive-through or pick-up/delivery options
- Grocery stores and charitable food distribution sites should remain fully open and operational

To see a full copy of the El Dorado County guidance for food, beverage and other related service venues - [Click here](#)

Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Orders/Directives

- The El Dorado County Public Health Officer issued an order ceasing non-essential travel into the El Dorado County portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin April 3, 2020  [COVID19 Tahoe Travel Order](#)

- Extension of the Directive of the El Dorado County Public Health Officer Restricting Activities in Response to Covid-19 Outbreak March 31, 2020. [Click here to view Directive](#)
- The El Dorado County Public Health Officer issued a shelter in place directive on March 19, 2020. [Click here to view Directive](#).

Governor Newsom issued a Stay at Home Order on March 19, 2020. [Click here to view Executive Order](#)

Guidance Documents from California Department of Public Health:

The California Department of Public Health has consolidated state guidance on how to prepare and protect Californians from COVID-19 in a [single location](#). This includes guidance for:

- Community Care Facilities, Including Assisted Living Facilities and Child Care
 - People at Risk for Serious Illness
 - Drinking Water, Recreational Water and Wastewater
 - Employers, Health Care Workers and Workers in General Industry
 - Entertainment Venues
 - First Responders, Including Paramedics and EMTs
 - Food Industry
 - Event and Gathering Guidance
 - Homeless Assistance Providers
 - Individuals with Access or Functional Needs
 - Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plans
 - Health Care Facilities from Cal/OSHA
 - Health Care Facilities, Including Long-Term Care Facilities
 - Health Care Plans
 - Coverage Options
 - Home Cleaning with COVID-19 Positive Individuals
 - Laboratories
 - Schools and institutions of higher education
 - Long-Term Care and Adult and Senior Care Facilities
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See attached four-page COVID-19 March 24 Short Term Rental Directive by El Dorado County Public Health;

Also, see attached two-page COVID-19 April 3 Directive Restricting Travel to Tahoe by El Dorado County Public Health.

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DIRECTIVE OF THE EL DORADO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER CLARIFYING THE GOVERNOR'S MARCH 19 "STAY AT HOME ORDER" AS IT PERTAINS TO THE USE OF LODGING FACILITIES IN EL DORADO COUNTY IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 OUTBREAK

MARCH 24, 2020

WHEREAS, a state of emergency has been declared by the State of California and local emergencies have been declared in El Dorado County along with the Cities of Placerville and South Lake Tahoe in response to the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, in El Dorado County as well as throughout California and the nation, there is insufficient critical healthcare infrastructure and resources, including hospital beds, ventilators, and workers to adequately treat mass numbers of patients concurrently as might be needed if the virus were to spread unchecked; and

WHEREAS, in direct response to that potential lack of healthcare infrastructure, governments across the nation are taking actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 to "flatten the curve" of infection and reduce the numbers of individuals infected concurrently by minimizing situations where the virus can spread; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this effort, on March 19, 2020, the El Dorado Public Health Officer issued a Directive that all people within El Dorado County limit their travel to the maximum extent feasible, and only travel for the essential tasks set forth in that Directive; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this effort, on March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20, which requires all persons residing in the State of California to remain in their homes or places of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations for critical infrastructure (the "Stay-at-Home Order"); and

Vision Statement:
Transforming Lives and Improving Futures

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the Governor issued additional guidance identifying “Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers” to effectuate the Stay-at-Home Order (the “Guidance”). This Guidance, which is attached hereto as an Exhibit and incorporated by this reference, identifies various industry sectors that are deemed essential to maintain the continuity of operations for critical infrastructure, and which thus may continue to operate notwithstanding the Stay-at-Home Order; and

WHEREAS, the Guidance further lists specific jobs and functions within those critical infrastructure sectors that are deemed “necessary”. This includes hotels and lodging *activities related to isolating and or quarantining persons infected with or exposed to the COVID-19 virus, or housing workers performing jobs deemed essential to maintaining critical infrastructure;* and

WHEREAS, much of El Dorado County is located in remote, beautiful locations that ordinarily welcome thousands of recreational visitors each year; and

WHEREAS, despite the Health Officer’s Directive and the Governor’s Order, in the past weeks, many non-residents have continued to travel to El Dorado County for non-essential purposes such as recreation and tourism; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Order for “all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence except as needed...” was intended to prohibit people from unnecessarily traveling from their usual places of residence for non-essential activities; and

WHEREAS, all travel, including travel to other communities to recreate, increases the potential to spread the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, the further people travel, the more likely they are to have contact with people outside their ordinary circle, and the more likely they are to transmit, or be infected with, the virus; and

WHEREAS, while the Governor explicitly allowed people to go outside to exercise, the context made clear that exercise was to be done alone or within your household group, and that outdoor exercise was not a reason to congregate and recreate in groups in a manner inconsistent with other portions of the Order; and

WHEREAS, engaging in strenuous and/or remote outdoor activities such as off-roading, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, and/or hiking carry higher risks for injury, which could take first responders away from essential functions, including their additional extraordinary functions related to COVID-19, to assist people injured while recreating; and

WHEREAS, the strain on first responders is only worsened when there are numerous people from outside the local area because in addition to the risk of injury, there is a risk that visitors could need assistance if they get lost in unfamiliar locations; and

WHEREAS, El Dorado County only has two hospitals in the County with emergency capabilities and those hospitals have limited beds and supplies; and

WHEREAS, the El Dorado County Health Officer wishes to provide clarity and guidance to prospective visitors to El Dorado County and to businesses in the lodging sector of El Dorado County and the Cities of Placerville and South Lake Tahoe regarding operations under the Governor's Stay-At-Home Order;

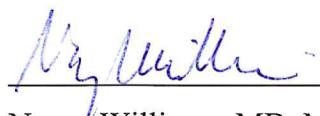
NOW, THEREFORE, the El Dorado County Health Officer issues this Directive to clarify the Governor's Stay-at-Home Order as follows:

1. The Health Officer reiterates that neither El Dorado County residents nor nonresidents should be traveling from their usual places of residence for the duration of the Governor's Order except as expressly permitted as a means to accomplish essential functions. Staying in short term lodging, *defined as lodging for a period of less than 30 days*, to facilitate recreation, tourism or "sheltering in place" away from your ordinary residence is NOT an essential function, places undue strain on infrastructure and services, and is NOT permitted under the Governor's Order or the Health Officer's Directive.
2. Short-term lodging facilities, including hotels, motels, condominiums, campgrounds, or other units that are used for COVID-19 mitigation and containment measures, including measures to protect homeless populations, may continue to operate for the limited purpose of providing such mitigation and containment measures (examples include the housing of displaced or otherwise homeless persons or the isolation or quarantine of persons directed to such status by the Health Officer). *Campgrounds include tent camping, cabin camping, and recreational-vehicle camping ordinarily used for occupancies of less than 30 days.*
3. Short-term lodging facilities, including hotels, motels, condominiums, campgrounds, or other units that are used to house workers performing functions that are essential to maintain the continuity of operations for critical infrastructure, as listed in the attached Guidance, or were, prior to March 20, 2020, serving as primary residences for El Dorado County residents, may continue to operate for the limited purpose of housing those critical infrastructure workers.
4. Short term lodging facilities (including hotels, motels, condominiums, campgrounds or other units) that ordinarily house residents of El Dorado County who were residing at that facility prior to March 20, 2020 may continue to house those people. To ensure this Directive does not displace residents who were in El Dorado County prior to the Order, nothing in this Directive should be interpreted to preclude the continued residence of short term renters in hotels, motels,

or rentals where they were residing on or before March 20, 2020, no matter how the owner and lodger set the rental term.

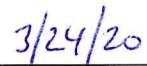
5. In the event of a question or uncertainty as to whether a particular short-term lodging use falls within the Governor's exemptions (e.g., whether it constitutes a mitigation or containment measure addressing the COVID-19 response or involves housing critical-infrastructure workers), a written determination from the California Department of Public Health, El Dorado County Health Officer, or the El Dorado County Emergency Operations Center that the use is authorized, or a directive from any of those entities to allow the use, shall be adequate to authorize such use. In the event it is not possible to obtain a determination in writing, such determination may be received orally and documented by the lodging provider (name of authorizing person, entity, and date/time the authorization is made).

This Directive takes effect immediately. It shall remain in place until the Governor's March 20, 2020 Order is rescinded, unless it is extended, terminated or modified by the Health Officer in writing.



Nancy Williams, MD, MPH

El Dorado County Public Health Officer



Date

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ORDER OF THE EL DORADO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER RESTRICTING TRAVEL INTO THE LAKE TAHOE BASIN AREA OF EL DORADO COUNTY IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 OUTBREAK

APRIL 3, 2020

WHEREAS, a state of emergency has been declared by the State of California, local emergencies have been declared in El Dorado County and the Cities of Placerville and South Lake Tahoe, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20, the 'Stay-at-Home' order on March 19, 2020 for the entire state of California with no set end date, and on March 29, 2020 President Trump extended national social-distancing guidance through April 30, 2020, all in response to the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, the El Dorado County Public Health Officer (Health Officer) issued a Directive on March 19, 2020 restricting activities within the County, which has been extended through April 30, 2020 and issued a subsequent Directive on March 24, 2020 clarifying the meanings of nonessential travel and appropriate use of short-term rentals; and

WHEREAS, travel for owners to occupy their second homes is interpreted to be nonessential; and

WHEREAS, continued inappropriate travel into the Tahoe Basin for nonessential purposes is still occurring; and

WHEREAS, visitors further impact an already decreased availability of essential supplies and food at grocery stores and pharmacies; and

WHEREAS, there is insufficient critical healthcare infrastructure and resources, including hospital beds, ventilators, and workers to adequately treat mass numbers of patients concurrently as might be needed if the virus continues to spread at current rates; and

WHEREAS, residents and healthcare facilities have been seriously impacted in other resort areas in the U.S. that are similar in nature to the Lake Tahoe region, including numerous counties in Colorado and Blaine County, Idaho, by visitors having imported COVID-19 infections into their communities; and

WHEREAS, although El Dorado County normally welcomes visitors and highly values visitors to Lake Tahoe as significant contributors to the local economy, during the COVID-19 crisis residents in the Lake Tahoe area are deemed to be at excess risk from a nonessential influx of visitors to the area;

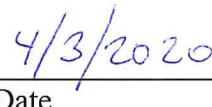
WHEREAS, it is the Health Officer's responsibility to take action protect the health of all county residents; and

WHEREAS, Barton Memorial Hospital is the only general acute care hospital in the Tahoe Basin and has been notified that its usual back-up facilities for accommodating patient surge will not be accepting patient transfers due to COVID-19 cases already impacting them.

NOW, THEREFORE, the El Dorado County Health Officer orders the cessation of all nonessential travel into the El Dorado County portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin effective immediately. Unless extended, terminated, or modified by the Health Officer in writing, this order shall remain in place through April 30, 2020.



Nancy Williams, MD, MPH
El Dorado County Public Health Officer



Date