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# BRIEFING | CORONAVIRUS 19 PANDEMIC

*Unified Command update: July 9, 2020 | 4:00 p.m.*

## TESTING UPDATE

- **Tests Administered:** 1,985\* (+232)
- **Tests Negative:** 1,855\* (+213)
- **Tests Pending:** 82\* (+19)
- **Positive Tests:** 49\* (+1)
- **Deaths:** 1

\*Changes in testing and results reflect changes since July 6, 2020.

## CURRENT HOSPITAL STATUS

**GREEN**

*Able to care for any patients requiring admission*

## NEW ITEMS TODAY

- Update - California Counties Being Monitored to Slow Community Transmission
- The New Normal – Coping in a COVID World Roundtable Conversation
- Inyo National Closes Group Camps Under Forest Order

## UPCOMING TESTING OPPORTUNITIES

- Friday, July 10 – Walker (Project Baseline)
- Monday, July 13 – Benton Community Center 9:30am-12:00 noon (Pop-up Testing)
- Tuesday, July 14 – Chalfant Community Center 9:30am-12:00 noon (Pop-up Testing)
- Tuesday, July 14 – Mammoth Lakes (Project Baseline)
- Wednesday, July 15 – Mammoth Lakes Promenade on Main St. 10:00am-1:00pm

## PUBLIC INFORMATION

- Website: [MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus](http://MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus) | Spanish: <https://monohealth.com/coronavirus-es>
- Current California and County COVID-19 Statistics plus State Resources: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx#>
- Video from the June 25 Community Conversation: [https://youtu.be/qbQ64O\\_qLYE](https://youtu.be/qbQ64O_qLYE)
- Video from July 8 The New Normal discussion: <https://youtu.be/aE5ik5k7lbg>
- Phone: 2-1-1 (English and Spanish) Information and Nurse Line
- Email: [COVID19Help@mono.ca.gov](mailto:COVID19Help@mono.ca.gov)
- Behavioral Health “Warm Line” - (760) 924-1740 (7:00am – 7:00pm, 7-days per week)
- Facebook Live Daily: MonoCountyBehavioralHealth - 10:30am/3:30pm (English) & 1:00pm (Spanish)
- Facebook: MonoHealthDepartment, Instagram: MonoCountyHealthDepartment, Twitter: CountyMono
- Mammoth Lakes Short-Term Rental Hotline (760) 965-3670 or [TOT@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov](mailto:TOT@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov)
- Mono County COVID-19 Violations: [covid19violations@mono.ca.gov](mailto:covid19violations@mono.ca.gov)

## **FREE COVID-19 TESTING THROUGHOUT MONO COUNTY**

There are now several options for asymptomatic adults to get tested for COVID-19 in Mono County. If you are feeling ill, please do not show up to one of the testing sites; instead people who are sick should call the 211 Nurse Hotline or their primary care provider.

### **Public Health Pop-up Testing**

Visit the Public Health Pop-Up Clinic for complimentary cloth masks and hand sanitizer (while supplies last), informational flyers and FREE COVID-19 testing. Testing is on a first-come first-served basis and is generally limited to 30 tests per day. Testing is conducted by Mono County Health staff.

### **Upcoming Pop-up Testing:**

- Monday, July 13 – Benton Community Center 9:30am-12:00 noon
- Tuesday, July 14 – Chalfant Community Center 9:30am-12:00 noon
- Wednesday, July 15 – Mammoth Lakes Promenade on Main St. 10:00am-1:00pm

### **California Community-Based Covid-19 Testing:**

Project Baseline by Verily is a clinical research initiative to facilitate screening and testing for COVID-19.

Eligible residents can sign up online for drive-through testing in Mammoth Lakes and throughout Mono County at [www.projectbaseline.com/COVID19](http://www.projectbaseline.com/COVID19). Once you have registered, you can select a location, date and time for testing. Testing is at no cost for individuals regardless of insurance status. For those unable to register and make an appointment ahead of time, impromptu testing may be available for those who show up.

Currently, Project Baseline testing is offered weekly in Mammoth Lakes and Walker. Eligible persons must be 18 years or older, live in Mono County and be willing to electronically sign the COVID-19 Public Health Authorization Form and Lab Consent. Learn more about Verily and its COVID-19 Program online: <https://www.projectbaseline.com/study/covid-19/>

### **Upcoming Project Baseline Testing:**

- Friday, July 10 – Walker
- Tuesday, July 14 – Mammoth Lakes

## **IF YOU ARE ILL, CALL THE NURSE HOTLINE!**

If you are feeling ill, call the nurse Hotline, which can be accessed through the **2-1-1** information system (daily 8am-5pm). The nurses can provide advice and refer for COVID-19 testing. Mammoth Hospital now has increased testing capacity and is recommending anyone feeling ill be tested for COVID-19.



COVID-19 symptoms typically include fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath, but could also be similar to the symptoms of a typical flu or cold. Symptoms may also be severe, including difficulty breathing or shortness of breath, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, or inability to arouse and bluish lips or face.

## **THE PATH FORWARD – REOPENING MONO COUNTY**

We invite residents to visit [MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus](https://MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus) to learn more about the path forward for Mono County. The webpage tells you where we are on the California Resilience Roadmap and how we can progress further through the stages. **As of May 20, 2020, Mono County was approved to move to Expanded Stage 2.** The Governor's Stay-at-Home Order remains in effect throughout the state, and non-essential travel is still prohibited. Look for the graphic below on the home page and click to learn more. The site will be updated in conjunction with State guidance and local directives and orders.



## **GUIDELINES FOR BUSINESSES PERMITTED TO REOPEN IN MONO COUNTY**

On April 28, the Governor announced four stages of the “Resilience Roadmap” that is guiding the gradual reopening process throughout California and in Mono County. On May 20, California transitioned into Stage 2 to gradually reopen some **lower-risk workplaces with some adaptations.**

Every business in Mono County and in the Town of Mammoth Lakes is required to self-report on meeting all applicable County, State and Federal requirements using the [SELF-CERTIFICATION PORTAL](#). **Businesses that satisfy all the health and safety requirements, are required to prominently post the certificate at their place of business.** Additional [Mono County Business Guidance](#) and [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQ) are also available online.

If your business sector has been permitted to open in Stage 2 but is not specifically identified in the [Self-Certification Portal](#), please click on the [Statewide Guidance](#) to implement mitigation measures and procedures to reduce the risk of COVID-19 to create a safer environment for workers and customers. When and if your business sector is listed in the Self-Certification Portal, please retroactively self-certify your business.

Please contact your local Chamber of Commerce for information or resources related to your business operating during the Coronavirus pandemic. For additional information regarding business reopening guidelines, please send an email to: [COVID19Help@mono.ca.gov](mailto:COVID19Help@mono.ca.gov) or contact the Emergency Operations Center **(760) 932-5650**.

## **CALIFORNIA COUNTIES BEING MONITORED TO SLOW COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION**

On July 1, Governor Gavin Newsom and the California Department of Public Health released [guidance](#) directing counties that have been on the [County Monitoring List](#) for three consecutive days or more to close indoor operations for certain sectors which promote the mixing of populations beyond households and make adherence to physical distancing and wearing face coverings difficult. The guidance applies for a minimum of three weeks and is subject to an extension based on epidemiologic indicators. These sectors may modify operations to provide services outside or by pick-up. In addition, all brewpubs, breweries, bars, and pubs in these counties must close immediately, both indoor and outdoor.

Community spread of COVID-19 continues to be a concern across the state, and in particular for counties on the County Monitoring List. This puts vulnerable populations, including older Californians and those who have chronic conditions or compromised immune systems, at higher risk of becoming seriously ill due to the virus.

The state will work closely with local Health Departments to identify action steps and timelines for addressing issues that impact indicators of concern. The following counties are currently being monitored at this step with key action steps identified regarding the reopening of certain business sectors:

<b><u>Impacted Counties as of July 9, 2020</u></b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Colusa County</li><li>• Contra Costa</li><li>• Fresno</li><li>• Glenn</li><li>• Imperial</li><li>• Kern</li><li>• Kings</li><li>• Los Angeles</li><li>• Madera</li><li>• Marin</li><li>• Merced</li><li>• Monterey</li><li>• Napa</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Orange</li><li>• Riverside</li><li>• Sacramento</li><li>• San Benito</li><li>• San Bernardino</li><li>• San Diego</li><li>• San Joaquin</li><li>• Santa Barbara</li><li>• Solano</li><li>• Stanislaus</li><li>• Tulare</li><li>• Ventura</li><li>• Yolo</li></ul>

California will continue to update and issue guidance based on the best available public health data and the best practices currently employed. All industry or sector guidance documents that have been issued to date, including all infectious control measures outlined in those guidance documents, apply in outdoor settings, and thus must be adhered to.

More information about reopening California and what individuals can do to prevent the spread of COVID-19, visit [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) in California](#).

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

### NEW: THE NEW NORMAL - COPING IN A COVID WORLD ROUNDTABLE CONVERSATION



Hosted by Mono County Behavioral Health on July 22 from 5:30pm-6:30pm, this conversation will address community health and wellness. People are under a lot of stress in the new world trying to cope with COVID-19. This roundtable conversation strives to provide meaningful ways, tips and proven advice to bring the community together. We look forward to talking with you!

#### **5:30pm English Meeting Details:**

- Zoom meeting details at <https://monocounty.zoom.us/j/99456162274> or call **1-669-900-6833** and enter Webinar ID# **994 5616 2274**

## RECREATION

### NEW - INYO NATIONAL CLOSES GROUP CAMPS UNDER FOREST ORDER

*July 9, 2020* - On July 7, the Inyo National Forest extended the closure of all group campgrounds and two remote campgrounds under a [forest closure order](#). The closure can be terminated or extended depending in conditions. Please see Exhibit A (in the link above) for a full list of campgrounds included in this order.

The decision is based upon recommendations from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and state and local health authorities. Developed recreation group campsites on the Inyo National Forest typically draw large groups of people, creating mass gatherings and concentrated groups of forest visitors. This results in significant management oversight, especially during the high use conditions now being experienced.

Additionally, due to lack of personnel it is necessary to close two developed campgrounds, Grandview Campground and Kennedy Meadows Campground, located in remote areas of the Inyo National Forest. These facilities are located in areas that timely and routine cleaning cannot occur.

This closure is an interim measure. The Inyo National Forest will follow guidelines from the CDC, as well as state and local health departments, to ensure that the safety of our employees and our visitors is a priority.

Visitors are also urged to take the precautions recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) along with local health and safety guidance. For tips from the CDC on preventing illnesses like the coronavirus, go to: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention.html>.

# #COVERUPMONO



April 30, 2020 – What you need to know about the Mono County Public Health Officer Order requiring face coverings while in public spaces and interacting with people outside of your household unit

## FACIAL COVERINGS ARE NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

- A person is outdoors and unlikely to interact with people who are not members of their household unit, except at a distance of more than six feet. Though it is prudent and courteous to wear a face covering when passing others on trails, multi-use paths or sidewalks.
- A person is performing work in a room or location that is physically separated from other persons by walls or other impermeable barriers.
- When in the sole company of members of their own household unit.
- A person is the sole occupant of a vehicle or is sharing a vehicle only with members of his or her own household unit.

### WHAT CAN I USE TO COVER MY FACE?



Handmade face cover



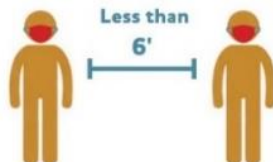
Thick scarf

Folded bandana or ski mask



### WHEN SHOULD I COVER MY FACE?

When you are near people in public



You

Person outside your household unit

### FACE COVERING GUIDELINES

- Always wash your hands after touching your face covering or placing it on your face.
- Never touch the inside of your face covering.
- When not in use, store your face covering in a paper bag. Do not store on your forehead or around your neck.
- Wash homemade cloth face coverings with hot water and soap daily to kill infectious material.

### IN ADDITION, PLEASE NOTE:

- Persons working outdoors shall wear face coverings when within six feet of any other person, or in any situation where the individual could contaminate a surface or object with which other persons come in contact. In all other circumstances, persons working outdoors are strongly encouraged to wear face coverings.
- Retail and other businesses open to the public shall require customers or patrons to wear face coverings. All staff interacting with the public are required to wear face coverings.
- Employees at restaurants and other establishments providing for on-site food consumption (upon authorization to open) shall wear face coverings. Patrons at those establishments are strongly encouraged to wear face coverings while not eating or drinking.

**Distance. Wash. Stay Home and #CoverUpMono!**



**211 FEELING SICK?**

+ Talk to a Nurse  
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MonoHealth.com/  
**Coronavirus**  
MONO COUNTY  
COVID-19 Resource Portal