

April 27, 2020

COVID-19 Daily Briefing Report

City of Post Falls Updates:

- The Guidelines issued for Opening up Idaho give an indication of what will happen and when, but they do not serve as an Order from the Governor. No official action may be taken until an Order is issued. Staff is anticipating that the Governor will issue an Order implementing Phase 1 starting on May 1, 2020. Department Heads are meeting tomorrow to discuss the phasing plan and how to address the changes as they occur in each phase. We will be discussing items such as playgrounds, opening of City Hall, telework staffing, furloughed staffing, event planning, etc. All discussions will take into consideration the social distancing and other requirements as set forth from the CDC, State of Idaho, and Health Districts. My Briefing on Wednesday will have more details on Phase 1 plans and some basic guidelines on the future phases.
- City of Post Falls COVID-19 Webpage Link:
 - <https://www.postfallsidaho.org/how-your-city-is-preparing/>
- City of Post Falls Facebook Page Link:
 - <https://www.facebook.com/cityofpostfalls/>
- City of Post Falls Police Department Facebook Page Link:
 - <https://www.facebook.com/postfallspolice/>

Idaho State/Governor Little Updates:

- Governor Little will host a press conference regarding Idaho Rebounds: State 1 at 10am our time on Thursday, April 30th, 2020. The conference will be streamed to the public through Idaho Public Television and on-line.
- State Webpage: <https://coronavirus.idaho.gov/>
- Governor Brad Little Facebook Link: <https://www.facebook.com/governorbradlittle/>
- Idaho OEM Facebook Link: <https://www.facebook.com/IdahoOEM/>

Kootenai County/Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Updates:

- Total cases of COVID-19 in the Panhandle Health District area is 65, 61 in Kootenai County. As a side note, nine of the individuals listed contracted COVID-19 at an Easter dinner get together.

- The Sheriff's department is continuing to see defiance to the quarantine order from people who are coming to Idaho to recreate. Deputies spent time again this weekend educating out of state visitors and passing out fliers. This 14-day regulation is currently planned to stay in place until Phase 3 of the Guidelines for Opening Up Idaho (slated for May 30th start).
- Panhandle Health District Checklist for Reopening: State 1 may be found here: http://panhandlehealthdistrict.org/covid-19/?fbclid=IwAR2BRSdiPzjRpA0Rat5iFfrBvw5O04lipmnTm0_vPmu1zvOI9rVzKNOZofc
- Idaho Department of Health & Welfare new toll-free number for questions about COVID and the stay-at-home order is (888) 330-3010.
- Facebook Page Link: <https://www.facebook.com/kootenaiOEM/>

Regional Updates:

- Idaho, Montana and Washington are in various stages of re-opening. This will cause some conflict as the states have different businesses opening at different stages. For example, Montana is planning to open restaurants and bars this week. Idaho does not plan for bars until Phase 4 (June 13 – June 26 estimate).

National Updates:

- President Trump announces new coronavirus testing guidance. <https://www.wusa9.com/article/news/health/coronavirus/covid-19-live-updates-monday-april-27-2020/507-558dc639-638f-42cd-861c-cf8429d2eb43>

External Links for Updates:

Center for Disease Control: <https://www.cdc.gov/>

Panhandle Health District: <http://panhandlehealthdistrict.org/>

Facebook Page Link: <https://www.facebook.com/kootenaiOEM/>