

April 17, 2020

COVID-19 Daily Briefing Report

City of Post Falls Updates:

- The City has scheduled the first public hearings for the May 4th Council Meeting. Thank you to everyone who has worked to make this technology possible. Notices have been sent out on these public hearings. Tennessee Ave Vacation and Emergency Subdivision Ordinance.
- 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:

- Protests are planned for 1pm today both in Boise and in Sandpoint to protest the Governor's Stay-At-Home Order.
- Idaho Governor Says Trump's "OUAA" Guidelines Align with Idaho's Actions. https://www.bigcountrynewsconnection.com/idaho/idaho-governor-says-trumps-opening-up-america-again-guidelines-align-with-idahos-actions/article_7ae8195e-80a4-11ea-8ad0-0b9db50b180a.html
- The Governor also has placed a couple minute video on his Facebook page detailing his support of the new guidelines as issued by Trump. The link is below.
- 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:

- There is one additional case of COVID announced by PHD, bringing the total to 54 in cases, 50 KC and 4 BC. Press Release is attached.
- 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:

- The City is still receiving calls asking if we are going to shutdown the border or stop all Washington vehicles as they come across the border. The answer is No, but I thought this article was a good read and cites the Sheriff's Office. <https://www.krem.com/article/news/health/coronavirus/washington-residents-cannot-hike-or-fish-in-idaho-stay-at-home-order/293-a692e914-4c7d-41c0-b020-6ff879962a82>
- Providence launching COVID-19 rapid testing pilot program for high-risk populations. https://www.khq.com/coronavirus/providence-launching-covid-19-rapid-testing-pilot-program-for-high-risk-populations/article_97e3580c-8040-11ea-a6e9-d3d33b4c501f.html

National Updates:

- Trump and the Nation's Governors met yesterday to discuss reopening businesses one step at a time. These guidelines envision proceeding without the comprehensive testing program that many public health experts have recommended. I have attached the guidelines issued by Trump.
- In an effort to support America's commercial truck drivers, the Federal Highway Administration has issued a directive to state highway departments that temporarily waives the restriction on commercial sales so that commercial food truck vendors may operate at rest areas. This was done to allow long-distance drivers the ability to purchase food while sit down restaurants are closed.
- Early results for Gilead coronavirus drug show patients recovering quickly. <https://www.wusa9.com/article/news/health/coronavirus/results-for-gilead-coronavirus-drug-show-promise/507-2092882d-677b-420e-8df9-38442977995c>

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/>