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COVID-19 Daily Briefing Report

City of Post Falls Updates:

- Police Department Service updates/changes are listed at the bottom of the second page.
- The CDA Press included an article titled “Mayors answer COVID-19 questions” in yesterday’s newspaper. Our own Mayor Jacobson was included in the article. Please see attached.
- 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:

- More than 380 people have signed up for temporary Idaho nursing licenses.
https://www.ktvb.com/article/news/health/coronavirus/more-than-380-people-have-signed-up-for-temporary-idaho-nursing-licenses-to-fight-covid-19/277-4dc710da-aa81-44e2-8128-77e19a503578?fbclid=IwAR2MkXIpYiR1AhwgSW_Ee0ksrg83yw6viDXnD6tmuojmb3g_xwUjeZH-GVk
- Governor Little’s Week in Glance attached.
- 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:

- 42 cases and no deaths as of 4/5/2020. See PHD press release attached.
- CDA Schools is launching “Remote Learning” today. Idaho Board of Education to decide on Idaho school closures through the rest of the year today. The meeting was livestreamed on their Facebook page.
- Venture Network hosted by North Idaho College is holding “North Idaho COVID-19 Business Leader Calls” on Friday. Please see link for further details.
<https://www.nic.edu/venture/>

- 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:

- Kootenai County has been selected for a “Field Hospital” with 100 beds that will be placed at the KC Fairgrounds. The plan is to send individuals from Kootenai Health to recover at the field hospital to open up beds for critical patients at KH. Other field hospitals will be set up in the state also.
- Panhandle Health District COVID-19 webpage: http://panhandlehealthdistrict.org/covid-19/?fbclid=IwAR0wZAgW_8Ts6Ne_J-vQop_bPdyFs-fTnciqVBKrrtBrWvgjORW5E7X7OO8

National Updates:

- CDC recommends wearing cloth face coverings. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>
- CDC COVIDView from last week is attached.
- Surgeon general warns US of ‘saddest week’ and ‘9/11 moment’ https://www.khq.com/coronavirus/surgeon-general-warns-us-of-saddest-week-and-9-11-moment/article_9056004a-775c-11ea-9c21-6b96d6bd38d6.html (Keep in mind this at the National level and Kootenai County/Idaho are not predicted to peak until later. A local model is being developed. Also this article refers to the “seasonal” nature of this virus and how we may see a resurgence of the virus as we move into next season.)

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/>

City of Post Falls Department Services and Safety Measures That Have Been Implemented

Police Department

- Officers are containing themselves in their vehicles and staying out of the Police Department as much as possible.
- The Communications Center has been closed off to everyone, with a cart out front of the door for paper processing to be dropped off.
- Records section has been closed down from the outside, making all lobby contacts pick up the phone and talk directly to Dispatch and Records to get the assistance needed.
- Have halted Ride Alongs, VIN Inspections, Medical calls (unless it is life or death) in an attempt to limit employee exposure to any virus.