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NEWS BRIEF: California Department of Public Health Announces Regional Stay At Home Order; Colusa County Assigned to Sacramento Region.

On December 03, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the framework for a Regional Stay At Home Order (Order) tied to Intensive Care Unit (ICU) capacity within 5 California regions. Effective December 05, 2020 at 12:59PM PST, once a region drops below 15% ICU capacity, they will have 24-hours to comply with the Order. The Order would be in effect for three weeks after the trigger, and instructs Californians to stay at home as much as possible to limit mixing with other households in an effort to limit the transmission and spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

Colusa County has been assigned to the Sacramento Region of the Order, which is currently at 22% ICU capacity. The Sacramento Region is expected to dip below 15% ICU capacity (triggering the Order) within the week.

When a region drops below 15% ICU capacity the following sectors must close:

- Indoor and outdoor playgrounds
- Indoor recreational facilities
- Hair salons and barbershops
- Personal care services
- Museums, zoos, and aquariums
- Movie theaters
- Wineries
- Bars, breweries, and distilleries
- Family entertainment centers
- Cardrooms and satellite wagering
- Limited services
- Live audience sports
- Amusement parks

The following sectors will have additional modifications in addition to 100% masking and physical distancing:

- **Outdoor recreational facilities:** Allow outdoor operation only without any food, drink or alcohol sales. Additionally, overnight stays at campgrounds will not be permitted.
- **Retail:** Allow indoor operation at 20% capacity with entrance metering and no eating or drinking in the stores. Additionally, special hours should be instituted for seniors and others with chronic conditions or compromised immune systems.
- **Shopping centers:** Allow indoor operation at 20% capacity with entrance metering and no eating or drinking in the stores. Additionally, special hours should be instituted for seniors and others with chronic conditions or compromised immune systems.
- **Hotels and lodging:** Allow to open for critical infrastructure support only.
- **Restaurants:** Allow only for take-out, pick-up, or delivery.
- **Offices:** Allow remote only except for critical infrastructure sectors where remote working is not possible.
- **Places of worship and political expression:** Allow outdoor services only.
- **Entertainment production including professional sports:** Allow operation without live audiences. Additionally, testing protocol and “bubbles” are highly encouraged.

The following sectors are allowed to remain open when a remote option is not possible with appropriate infectious disease preventative measures, including 100% masking and physical distancing:

- Critical infrastructure
- Schools
- Non-urgent medical and dental care
- Child care and pre-K

The Order allows access to (and travel for) critical services, and allows outdoor activities to preserve Californian’s physical and mental health

Details on the CDPH’s Regional Stay At Home Order can be accessed here: <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/>. Colusa County’s COVID-19 Portal can be accessed here: <https://www.countyofcolusa.org/771/COVID19>.

The Colusa County Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) will be monitoring the Sacramento Region ICU percentage closely, and communicate about any triggers to the Order as soon as possible. Additionally, DHHS would again ask that we remain diligent in ensuring compliance to the face covering Order, continue maintaining 6-ft physical distancing, continue hand washing and proper hygiene, and remain home if sick, or exposed to COVID-19