



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

May 4, 2020

Regular meeting 6:30PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
 29592 ELLENSBURG AVE
 GOLD BEACH OR 97444

DUE TO THE CURRENT STATE & CITY EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS, THE COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIA VIRTUAL MEANS. CALL IN CONFERENCING INFO WILL BE PROVIDED MONDAY.

Call to order: **Time:** _____

- 1. The pledge of allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call:**

Members	Present	Absent
Mayor Karl Popoff		
Council Position #1 Summer Matteson		
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan		
Council Position #3 Anthony Pagano		
Council Position #4 Becky Campbell		
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman BEGINNING VOTE		
City Administrator Jodi Fritts		

- 3. Special Orders of Business:**
None Scheduled
- 4. Consent Calendar:**
None Scheduled
- 5. Citizens Comments**
As presented to the Mayor at the beginning of the meeting
- 6. Public Hearing**
None Scheduled
- 7. Citizen Requested Agenda Items**
None Scheduled
- 8. Public Contracts and Purchasing**
None Scheduled

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9. Ordinances & Resolutions

None Scheduled

10. Miscellaneous Items (including policy discussions and determinations)

- a. COVID19 Citizen Survey Results as of Saturday
- b. Business Sector Guidelines for Re-Opening and Prerequisites
- c. State Closures and City Lodging Restrictions

11. City Administrator’s Report

To be presented at meeting

12. Mayor and Council Member Comments

- a. Mayor Karl Popoff
- b. Councilors
 - 1) Summer Matteson
 - 2) Larry Brennan
 - 3) Anthony Pagano
 - 4) Becky Campbell
 - 5) Tamie Kaufman

13. Citizens Comments

As permitted by the Mayor

14. Executive Session

No Executive Session Held

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2019 THE GOLD BEACH CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS
WILL BE HELD ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH**

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is the **Monday, June 1, 2020, at 6:30PM** in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 29592 Ellensburg Avenue, Gold Beach, Oregon.

15. Adjourn Time: _____

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MISC. ITEMS

(Including policy discussions and determinations)



SECTION 10. MISC ITEMS (including policy discussions & determinations)

GOLD BEACH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Agenda Item No. **10. a.**
Council Meeting Date: May 4, 2020

TITLE: COVID19 Citizen Survey Results

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:

With input from several sources, staff put together a citizen survey regarding the COVID19 crisis and the local re-opening process. The survey went live late last Saturday. Astonishingly as of 2PM this Saturday 490 people had taken the survey. We are going to leave the survey open one more week and we have also placed paper copies of the survey at the post office and in the library lobby.

The results of the survey, as well as all the comments received are attached.

THE HIGHLIGHTS:

- 63% of respondents were in the Vulnerable Individuals group
- The highest percentage of respondents-37% were in the 45-60 age bracket, followed by 25% in the 61-70 bracket
- 74% said they had reviewed the fed and state re-opening guidelines
- 46% said that the re-opening process should follow those guidelines
- The MOST important reason chosen for re-opening was Economic at 59%
- The business sector that the majority of respondents said should open first was Outdoor Recreation based at 35%. Bars/Taverns were rated at 0% and Lodging at 4%.
- 69% said they would be willing to make adaptations in order to help businesses re-open
- 63% said they still intended to continue staying home after things started to re-open
- The most important concern people had was an influx of tourist at 37%, followed by Spike in COVID19 cases at 22%. Interestingly of least concern was Curry General capacity at 3%
- 62% felt we did not have adequate stock/resources in our supermarkets if tourist season started
- Surprisingly it was split fairly even on whether people planned to travel or not this year: 37% said Yes, 40% said No
- 87% felt as citizens and consumers we have a responsibility to help ensure safety of front-line workers



SECTION 10. MISC ITEMS (including policy discussions & determinations)

Every comment posted was formatted for reading. No changes or edits were made for grammar/spelling

THEMES IN THE COMMENTS:

- Largest amount of comments centered around NOT opening lodging—even for tourist season
- People are concerned about travelers bringing the virus here
- Who will enforce whatever requirements will be made and who will monitor compliance
- Deep division on people taking the crisis seriously and those that feel it's overblown or even fake
- Disparity between concerns for health vs concerns for economy
- Opposing opinions on the ability of people to exercise common sense
- Lots of fear about inadequate testing and potential spike in cases
- Disparity between concerns about personal rights/government interference and people not taking serious and putting others at risk
- Lots of concern about people not wearing masks despite the recommendation to do so in public
- Concerns that there isn't enough in the stores for locals
- Deep division over opening too soon and we need to open now
- People want to open for locals first this includes recreation and stores and restaurants

Gold Beach Citizen COVID19 survey results

Saturday, May 02, 2020

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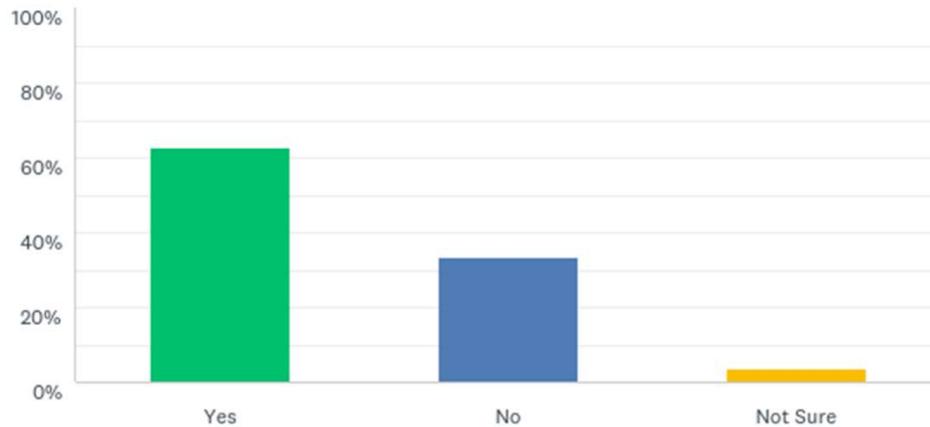
Total Responses

Date Created: Saturday, April 25, 2020

Complete Responses: 490

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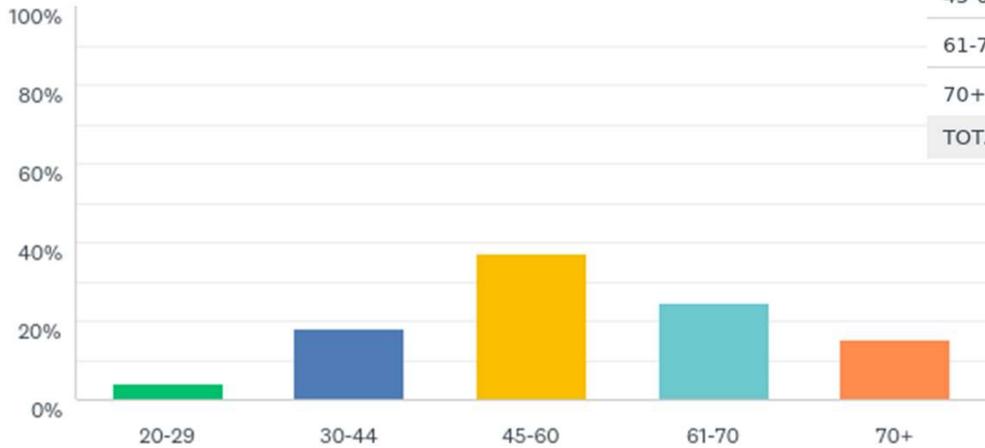
Q1: Are you a member of the Vulnerable Individuals group? (the fed/state guidelines define Vulnerable Individuals as: Elderly individuals; and Individuals with serious underlying health conditions including: high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, obesity, asthma, and those individuals whose immune system is compromised such as by chemotherapy for cancer and other conditions requiring such therapy)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	62.83%	306
No	33.26%	162
Not Sure	3.90%	19
TOTAL		487

Answered: 487 Skipped: 3

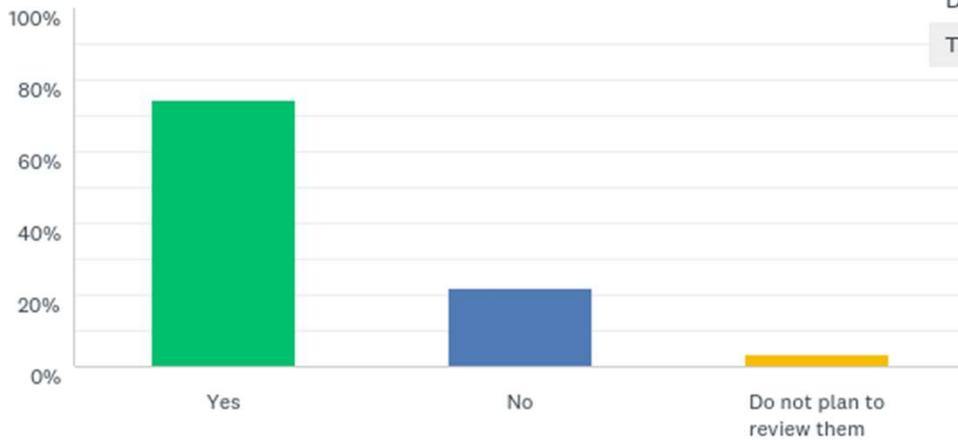
Q2: What age bracket are you in?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
20-29	4.30% 21
30-44	18.24% 89
45-60	37.30% 182
61-70	24.80% 121
70+	15.37% 75
TOTAL	488

Answered: 488 Skipped: 2

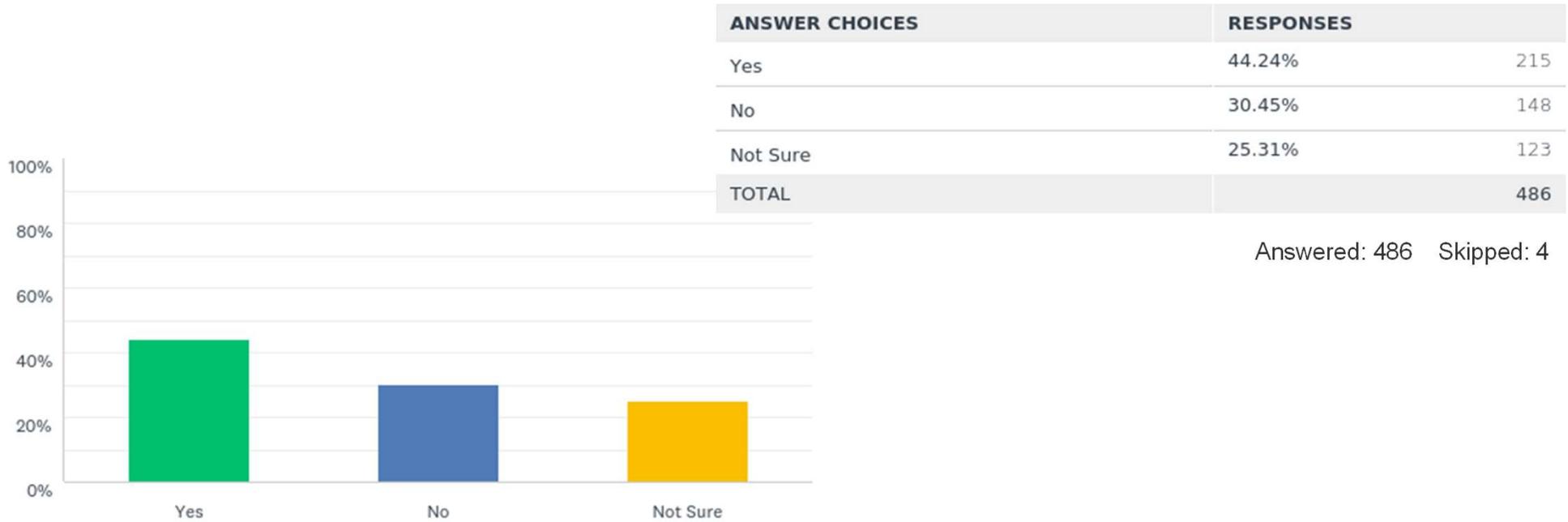
Q3: Have you had the opportunity to review the fed and state re-opening guidelines (available on City's website: www.goldbeachoregon.gov)?



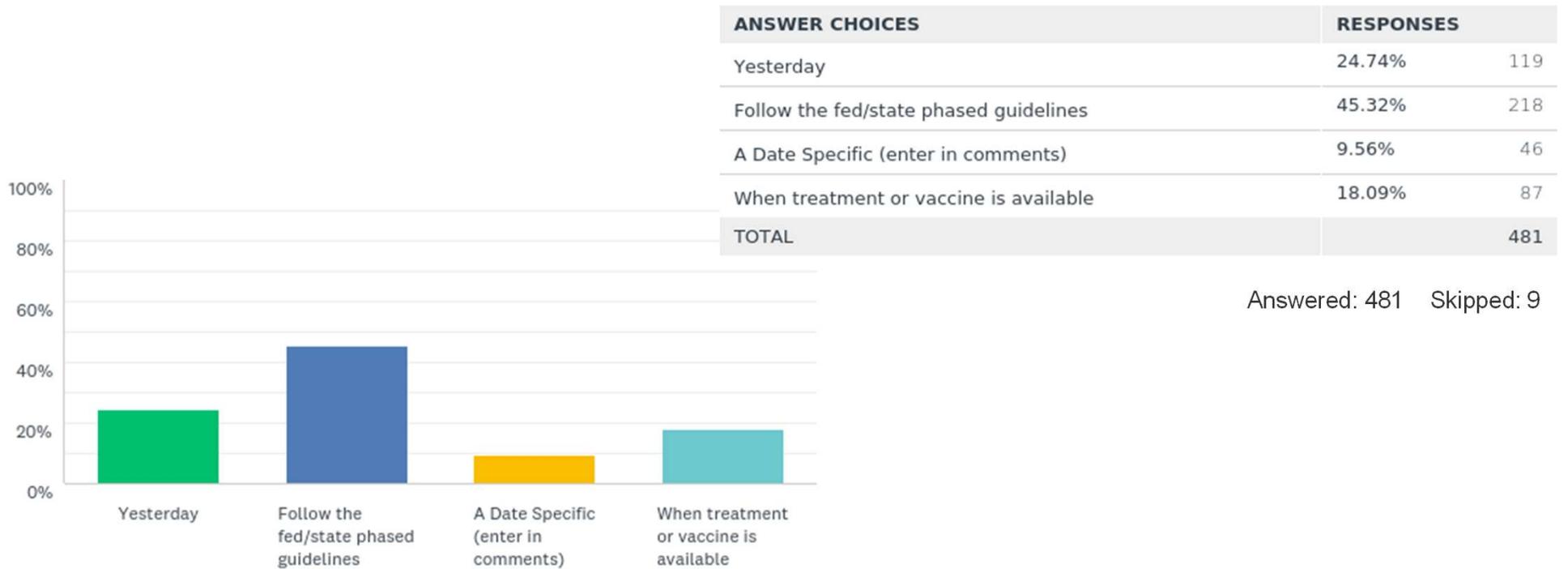
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	74.28% 361
No	22.02% 107
Do not plan to review them	3.70% 18
TOTAL	486

Answered: 486 Skipped: 4

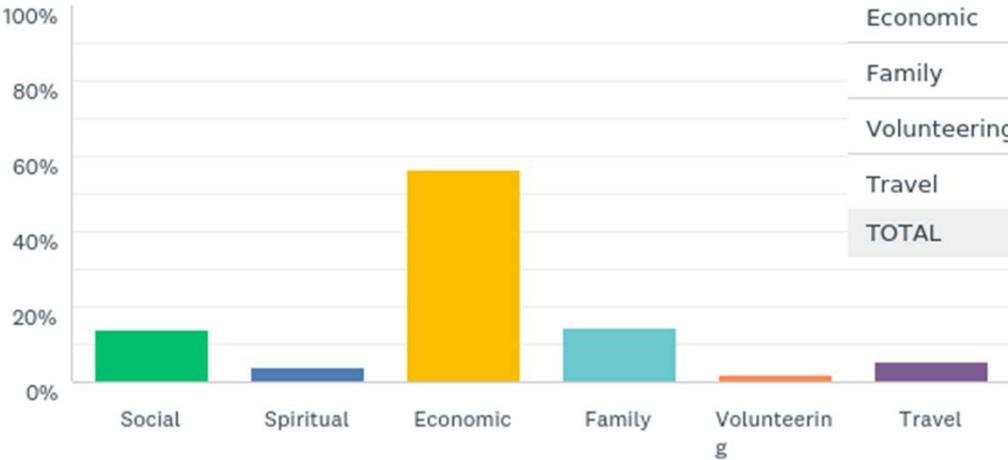
Q4: Do you feel safe starting this structured Phased re-opening process?



Q5: Personally, when do you feel we should begin re-opening process locally?



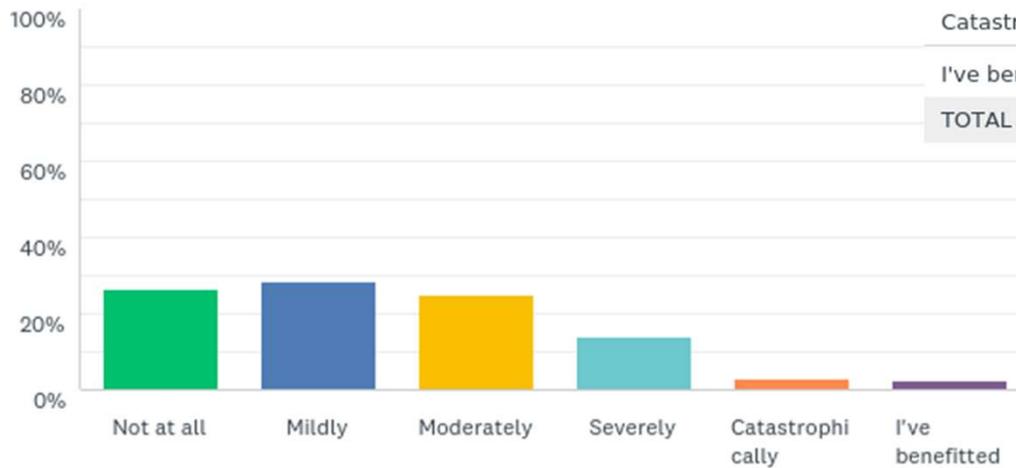
Q6: In this process of re-opening, what is the MOST important reason to you personally to begin opening back up? (As examples: to get back to church services, OR to be able to visit with my family, OR to get back to work)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Social	14.02% 67
Spiritual	3.77% 18
Economic	56.49% 270
Family	14.44% 69
Volunteering	1.88% 9
Travel	5.65% 27
TOTAL	478

Answered: 478 Skipped: 12

Q7: How has the COVID19 closure impacted you financially?



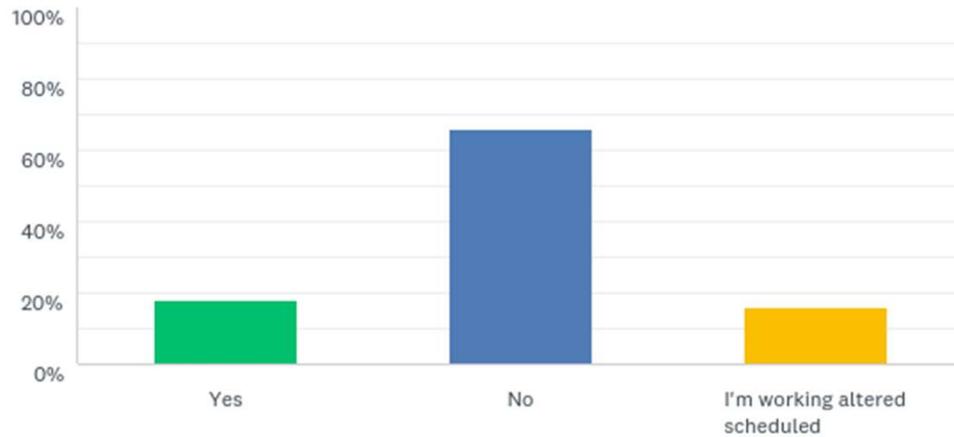
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Not at all	26.49% 129
Mildly	28.75% 140
Moderately	25.05% 122
Severely	14.17% 69
Catastrophically	2.87% 14
I've benefitted	2.67% 13
TOTAL	487

Answered: 487 Skipped: 3

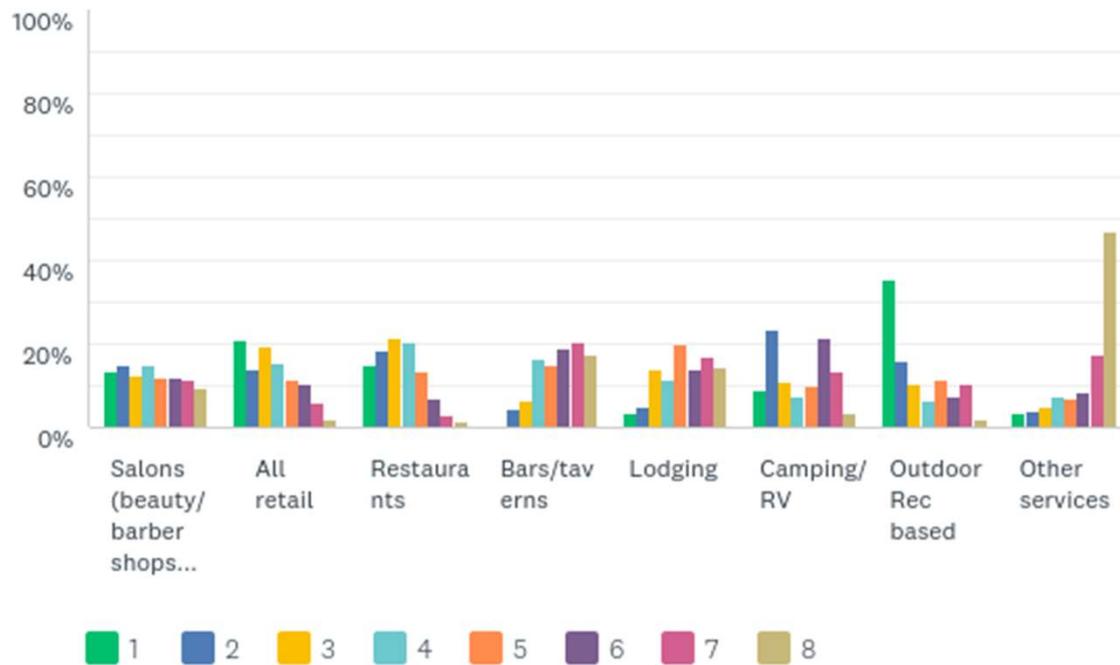
Q8: Have you been laid off or lost your job as a result of the COVID19 closures?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	18.22%	88
No	65.84%	318
I'm working altered scheduled	15.94%	77
TOTAL		483

Answered: 483 Skipped: 7



Q9: The fed and state guidelines have a Phased approach (Phase I, II, & III) for re-opening. Some of the business sectors will be given clearance to begin opening sooner than others based on the type of business and how many individuals can potentially interact with that business at a time. Please rank what you feel the order should be for business sector re-opening:

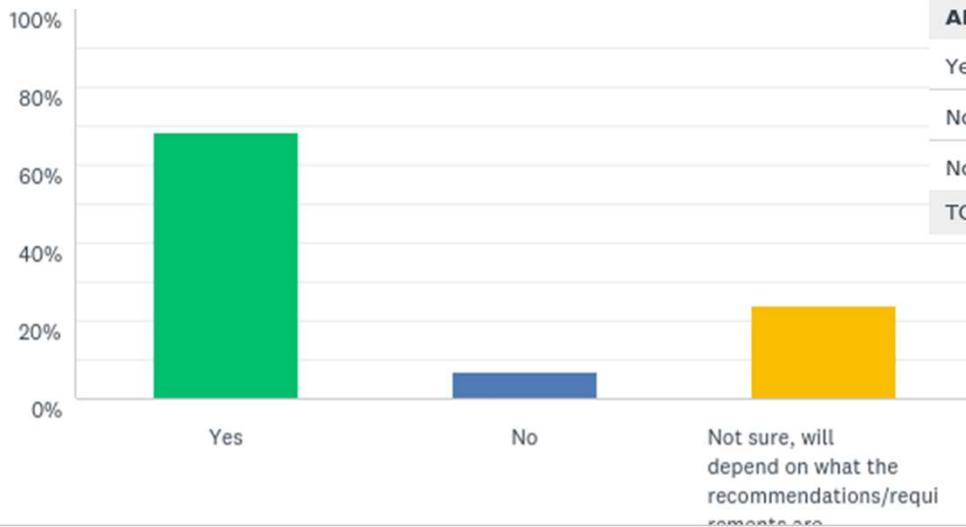


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Q9: The fed and state guidelines have a Phased approach (Phase I, II, & III) for re-opening. Some of the business sectors will be given clearance to begin opening sooner than others based on the type of business and how many individuals can potentially interact with that business at a time. Please rank what you feel the order should be for business sector re-opening:

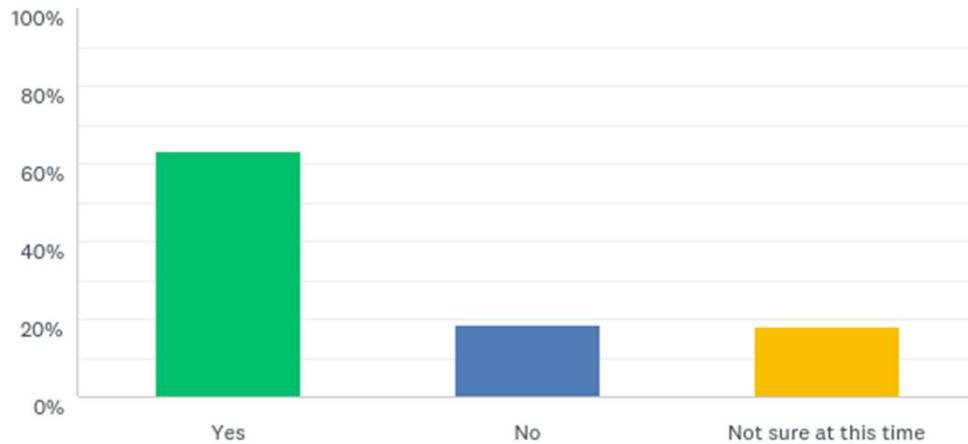
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL	SCORE
Salons (beauty/barber shops, nails, tanning, day spas, etc)	13.38% 61	14.91% 68	12.28% 56	14.91% 68	11.84% 54	11.84% 54	11.40% 52	9.43% 43	456	4.75
All retail	20.91% 97	13.79% 64	19.61% 91	15.52% 72	11.64% 54	10.34% 48	6.03% 28	2.16% 10	464	5.51
Restaurants	15.09% 70	18.53% 86	21.34% 99	20.26% 94	13.36% 62	6.90% 32	3.02% 14	1.51% 7	464	5.61
Bars/taverns	0.44% 2	4.58% 21	6.54% 30	16.56% 76	14.81% 68	18.95% 87	20.48% 94	17.65% 81	459	3.32
Lodging	3.71% 17	5.02% 23	13.76% 63	11.57% 53	20.09% 92	14.19% 65	17.03% 78	14.63% 67	458	3.77
Camping/RV	9.13% 42	23.48% 108	11.09% 51	7.61% 35	10.00% 46	21.52% 99	13.70% 63	3.48% 16	460	4.77
Outdoor Rec based	35.36% 163	16.05% 74	10.63% 49	6.51% 30	11.50% 53	7.59% 35	10.41% 48	1.95% 9	461	5.83
Other services	3.64% 16	3.87% 17	5.24% 23	7.29% 32	7.06% 31	8.43% 37	17.31% 76	47.15% 207	439	2.59

Q10: The fed and state guidelines have a Phased approach (Phase I, II, & III) for re-opening. None of the phases will be a return to pre-virus life. Each phase will have recommendations and requirements for businesses and individuals. State guidelines for individual business sectors are being developed at this time and are expected to be available the week of May 4th. In order to get businesses re-opened do you feel as customer/patron that you are willing to adapt to these post-virus requirements? As an example, it is likely most retail businesses and food service establishments will require face coverings, some level of physical distancing, altered hours or service levels, etc.



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Q11: When these phased re-openings begin to occur do you intend to continue staying at home most of the time?

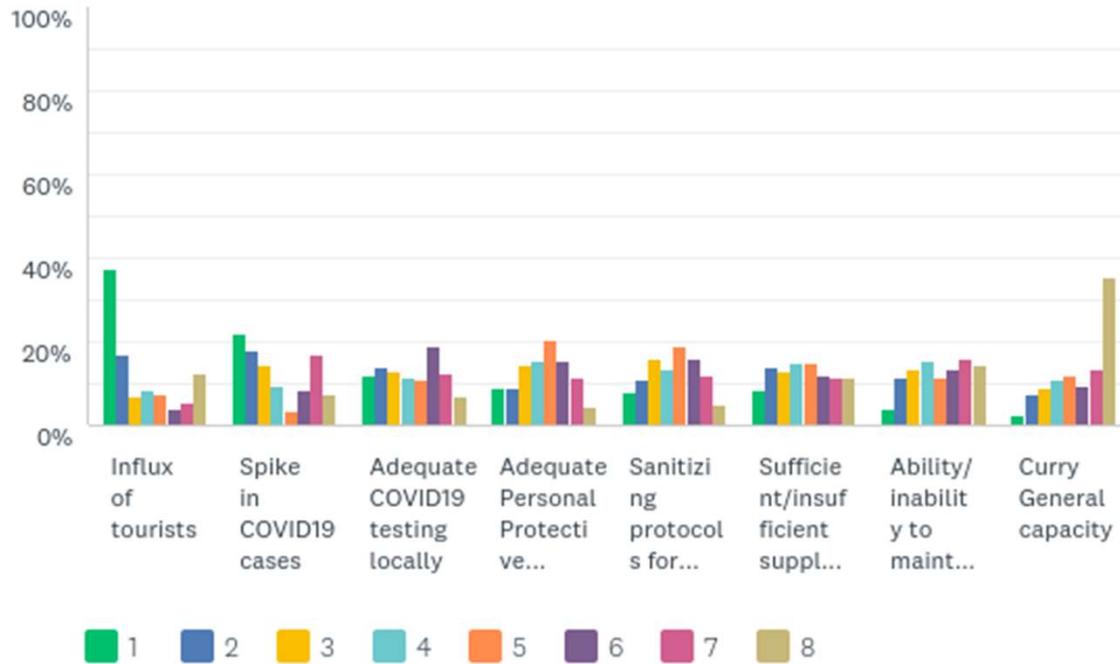


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	63.24% 308
No	18.48% 90
Not sure at this time	18.28% 89
TOTAL	487

Answered: 487 Skipped: 3

Q12: Please rank from MOST important to LEAST important your concerns about re-opening.

Answered: 471 Skipped: 19

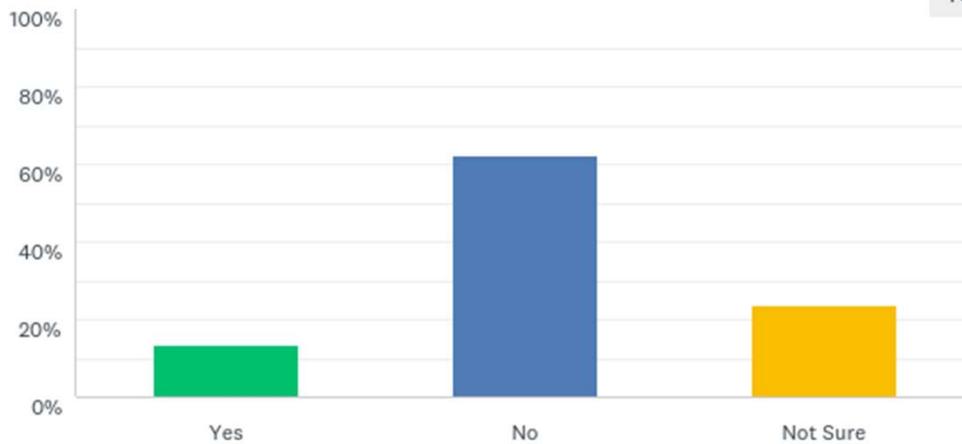


Q12: Please rank from MOST important to LEAST important your concerns about re-opening.

Answered: 471 Skipped: 19

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL	SCORE
Influx of tourists	37.47% 172	16.99% 78	7.19% 33	8.50% 39	7.41% 34	4.14% 19	5.66% 26	12.64% 58	459	5.70
Spike in COVID19 cases	21.83% 100	18.12% 83	14.41% 66	9.39% 43	3.28% 15	8.73% 40	16.81% 77	7.42% 34	458	5.15
Adequate COVID19 testing locally	12.11% 55	13.88% 63	13.00% 59	11.67% 53	11.01% 50	19.16% 87	12.33% 56	6.83% 31	454	4.63
Adequate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for healthcare and front-line workers	8.95% 41	9.17% 42	14.41% 66	15.50% 71	20.74% 95	15.28% 70	11.35% 52	4.59% 21	458	4.56
Sanitizing protocols for public places (stores, businesses, community spaces, etc)	7.89% 36	10.96% 50	15.79% 72	13.38% 61	19.08% 87	16.01% 73	11.84% 54	5.04% 23	456	4.55
Sufficient/insufficient supplies in local stores	8.33% 38	13.82% 63	12.94% 59	15.13% 69	14.91% 68	12.06% 55	11.40% 52	11.40% 52	456	4.47
Ability/inability to maintain safe 6' distancing	3.75% 17	11.48% 52	13.47% 61	15.45% 70	11.70% 53	13.69% 62	16.11% 73	14.35% 65	453	4.03
Curry General capacity	2.66% 12	7.54% 34	9.09% 41	10.86% 49	11.75% 53	9.31% 42	13.30% 60	35.48% 160	451	3.20

Q13: Do you feel Gold Beach has adequate stock/resources in our supermarkets for locals if tourist season starts up again?

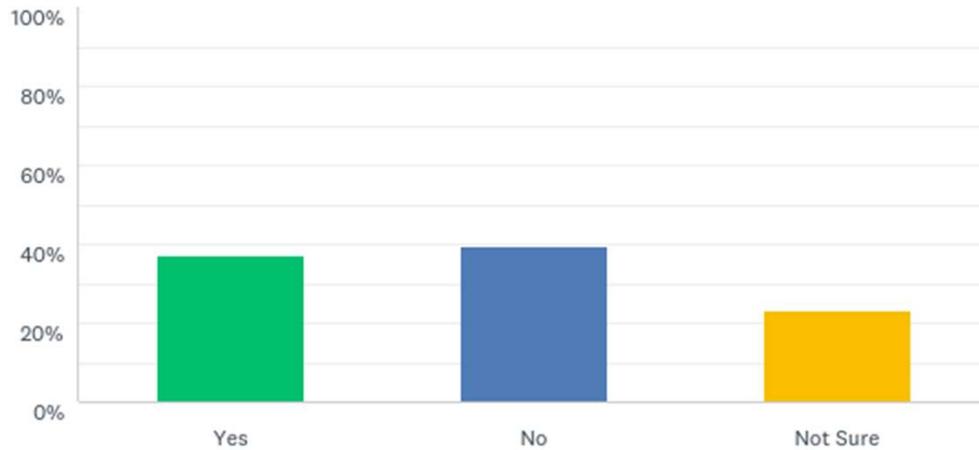


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	13.58% 66
No	62.35% 303
Not Sure	23.87% 116
TOTAL	486

Answered: 486 Skipped: 4

Q14: If the restrictions are eased, do you plan on traveling this year?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	37.11%	180
No	39.59%	192
Not Sure	23.30%	113
TOTAL		485

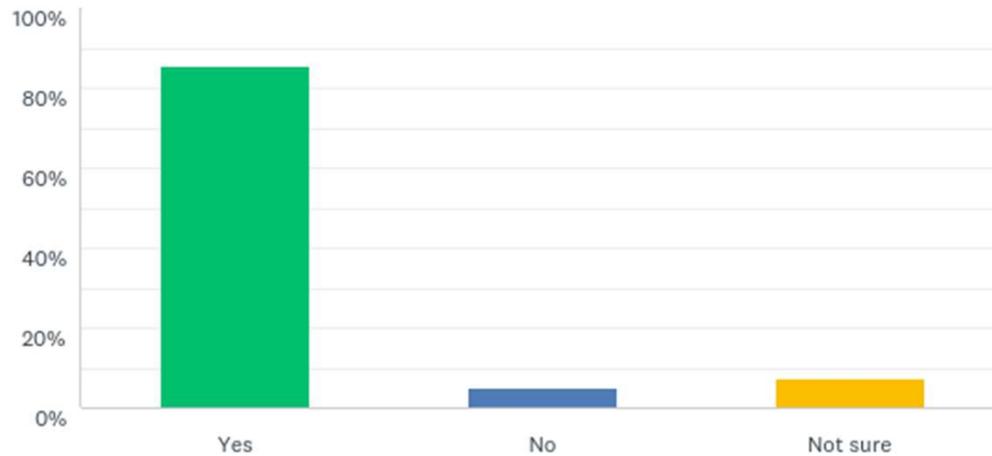


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Q16: As citizens and consumers do you feel we do/do not have a responsibility to help ensure the safety of front-line workers--those individuals that interact directly with the public?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	85.68%	413
No	4.98%	24
Not sure	7.47%	36
TOTAL		482

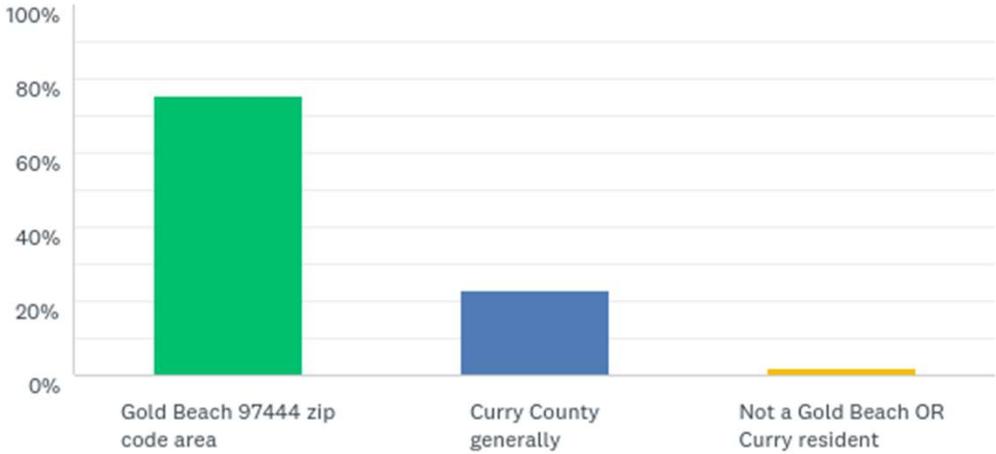
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Q20: Are you a resident of Gold Beach or Curry County?

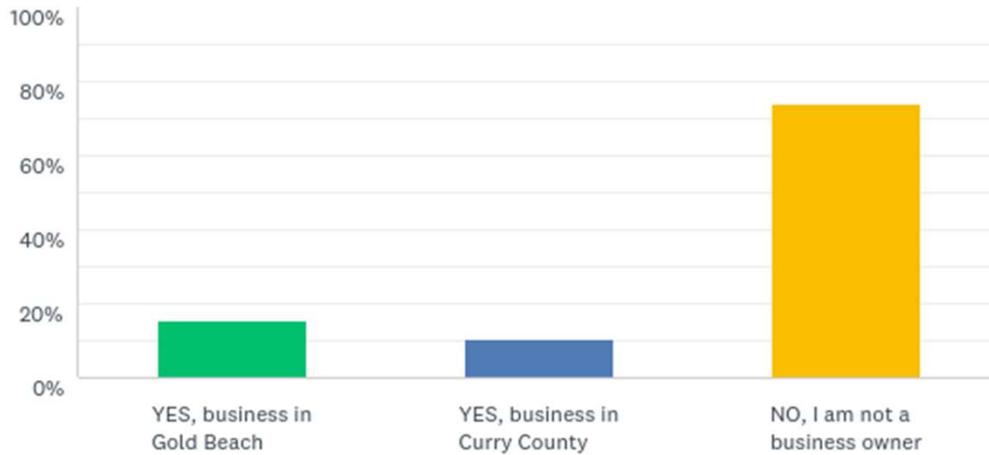
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Gold Beach 97444 zip code area	75.30%	253
Curry County generally	22.92%	77
Not a Gold Beach OR Curry resident	1.79%	6
TOTAL		336

Answered: 336 Skipped: 154



Q21: Do you own/operate a business in Gold Beach or Curry County?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
YES, business in Gold Beach	15.73%	53
YES, business in Curry County	10.39%	35
NO, I am not a business owner	73.89%	249
TOTAL		337



Answered: 337 Skipped: 153

COVID19 CITIZEN SURVEY COMMENTS

QUESTION #4 Do you feel safe starting this structured Phased re-opening process?

COVID-19 COMMUNITY SURVEY COMMENTS QUESTION #4

4. Do you feel safe starting this structured Phased re-opening process?

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<p>I believe reopening when symptoms are merely dealing will counteract the steps we've taken. Additionally, we cannot trust employers to monitor their employees in a way that genuinely takes the employees and customers health into account. It is also unfair to expect at risk groups to continue to stay at home for their safety when unemployment benefits will not apply. How are those people supposed to choose between their health and their financial stability (which is tied directly into their health in terms of affording food and medical treatment)?</p>
<p>Not enough testing being done Concerns re: tourist bringing in the virus No vaccine</p>
<p>I think blend in the restaurants , hair dresser smaller shops and than maybe motels a little later</p>
<p>Need to see adequate testing and by that I mean testing that does not require a referral from a doctor. I realize this is a big ask but without it, we cannot define the scope of the problem this virus represents. At present about one half of one percent of the population of Curry County have been tested. I would like to understand what exactly is our testing capacity here in Curry County. I would like to understand our capacity to do immediate and thorough contact tracing. Lastly, I am not confident in the leadership of our County Commissioners. Recently, they sought to overturn an order temporarily closing transient lodging and provided no data or any discussion on the potential consequences of that including loss of life. In a second meeting to discuss it, we learned that a hotel in Harbor reported they still get visitors even though they are not open. This information was used as a basis to advocate for overturning the order. Sounds to me like you need to close the Port. One of our Commissioners and the Sheriff posted a video of two ER doctors from Kern County who presented their analysis of their data on why CA should reopen. Their presentation was flawed from a sampling and statistical analysis standpoint and they outright lied that the Kern County Department of Public Health supported their conclusions. The video has since been removed from Youtube, something the company rarely does. This video had wide circulation in Curry County and the community are still quoting from their flawed conclusions. Their decision to release this without asking a scientist or public health official to review the information was reckless and ignorant. It was also very divisive in our Community. I am more concerned about our lack of informed leadership here in Curry county than I am about the virus.</p>
<p>It will be quite some time before I function as I did pre-COVID. I feel those of us who are vulnerable need to be diligent in protecting ourselves and we have info on how to do that.</p>
<p>The Governor has more overall information and the least direct reason or incentive to open up too quickly. In other words, I don't feel safe striking out on our own without broader coordination.</p>

COVID-19 COMMUNITY SURVEY COMMENTS QUESTION #4

4. Do you feel safe starting this structured Phased re-opening process?

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<p>We have tested roughly half of one percent of the population of Curry County so we have no idea of the scope of the problem and no idea how we can manage it much less move on from it. We lack the most basic policies here locally: ee do not have a mask policy (a majority of people go to the grocery without a mask and it was only recently that staff were required to wear masks); we do not have a self quarantine policy for those individuals entering the County to use their second homes. I am not aware if the County have adequate staff, beds and equipment to handle the consequences of a surge in infections. I am not aware of the background and qualifications of our Public Health Officer who would be the one to author a letter to the gov. I am in favor of the governor's decision to begin with an opening of the nonessential medical procedures provided those frontline workers and their patients have adequate PPE. I am not at all in favor of overturning the order temporarily closing transient lodging facilities to non-essential visitors. Doing this in my view is the equivalent of a public health policy of attaining herd immunity and the math there is ugly. We would need a 70% infection rate -- that is 16000 people. According to Worldometer statistics about 485 people would present with serious symptoms and 800 people would die. We do need a collaborative cohesive comprehensive science based plan that works for our community, our culture and our demographic.</p>
<p>I feel that the numbers do not support such an overreaction. I think the people at risk and the sick should be quarantined and let the healthy people continue to work with some preventive guidelines in place.</p>
<p>Define safe</p>
<p>Without testing, it's not possible.</p>
<p>I am ready to open!</p>
<p>I would like to see a soft opening for locals only (low risk) . Tourist from other places seem too risky right now.</p>
<p>TO SOON; THE GOVERNMENT IS SUPPRESSING THE REAL DEATH TOLL AND PURPOSELY NOT TESTING TO KEEP THE ACTUAL INFECTION RATE UNKNOWN. STUDIES SHOW THE COVID-19 INFECTED ARE AS HIGH AS 15-20% OF POPULATION ALREADY.</p>
<p>I'm vulnerable, as is my boss who has no immune system but also my 6yr old granddaughter. But LIFE itself is scary! We can no longer bury our heads in the sand, we have to figure out how to live our lives again, but still protect those who are vulnerable.</p>
<p>I'm not sure enough testing is being done here yet. Only a very small percentage of population has been tested. I've not heard yet of any the antibody testing here either.</p>
<p>Not enough Facts about Any of the Virus It Changes on a Daily Basis,Thee Left Hand has no Idea what the Right Hand is Doing,Our Government has Created Panic among A lot of People,with no Real Cure or Protocal for How to Handle any of This,So until we have Some Real Facts and Protocal as to how to move Forward,I Vote No Opening.</p>

COVID-19 COMMUNITY SURVEY COMMENTS QUESTION #4

4. Do you feel safe starting this structured Phased re-opening process?

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<p>Phased re-opening is great if everyone is on the same page but since Gold Beach's economy is tourist-based how will GB enforce travel limits/restrictions from places that have a spike in Corona Virus and decide since Curry County is open let's go there, resulting in them (tourists) bringing it here?</p>
<p>Testing....it just hasn't been done</p>
<p>I agree with a structured and phased plan. I doubt that Curry County with its aged population and high incidence and prevalence of the underlying medical conditions associated with so many Covid-19 deaths is in a position to begin re-opening at this time. With our inexperienced but well-intentioned director of public health, I fear our County would be ill-prepared in the event of a surge. It frightens me that the BOC appear to be making decisions without benefit of the type of experts whose opinions should be guiding these critical decisions.</p>
<p>Think all need to Open but use Social distancing and facemasks everywhere.</p>
<p>To soon to reopen</p>
<p>I can stay home to keep my husband who has cancer safe. I believe others should be able to run there businesses, etc...</p>
<p>We are not ready</p>
<p>Would like to see GB open only if non-residents were Not allowed to Visit but maybe only another more month or so</p>
<p>The average growth rate was near exponential, but not at e itself. As you know, this means a large number of cases could still be possible if travel brings the virus here. I just hope you can accomplish contact tracing in this small town.</p>
<p>Coastal transient lodging reopening needs to include requirements to train and protect housekeepers! Also, staggered occupancy (24 hr gap before rereating room). Until florence and north areas reopen we will just be drawing folks from all over and putting ourselves at risk.</p>
<p>Since we have had few cases in our county I feel safer right now. If we open businesses to locals only wearing masks and 6 feet distance it would probably be fine, same with beaches and playgrounds. It is when we open to those outside our county who may bring the virus with them that I am concerned about. It is the time of year we start seeing tourists and more crowds everywhere. I think this year we should pass and have things available for our county people but not those who live elsewhere, though I doubt that will happen unless the virus starts accelerating again in places that have already started opening. I am also more concerned about this fall/winter season where experts have predicted the areas who didn't get lots of this virus the first time around will get it hardest then plus the flu season at the same time. Our hospital could not handle lots of cases at once and would be quickly overwhelmed, a big concern. Once there is a vaccine or a better proven treatment we could reopen fully.</p>

COVID-19 COMMUNITY SURVEY COMMENTS QUESTION #4

4. Do you feel safe starting this structured Phased re-opening process?

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KEY TO SUCCESS IN REOPENING SAFELY IS COMPLIANCE WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING, FACECOVERING, HYGIENE (WASHING HANDS). NO MASK, NO WORK, NO SERVICE, NO EXCEPTIONS. I AM FREE TO CHOOSE TO SELF ISOLATE , WHICH I WILL PRACTICE, TO SURVIVE.
Think we need testing for workers who will interact directly with customers, such as food service workers, medical personnel, Dr's offices, personal care businesses, like hair and nail salons. Also, I think masks should be required where the standard 6 foot distancing cannot be maintained. I would be much more comfortable going into a business if I see that they are being responsible and careful. I am encouraged by the low number of cases in Curry County. Would like to see reopening of local parks, as they are not crowded and offer opportunities for exercise ad relaxation. Would prefer a cautious approach, that allows close monitoring of changes in case incidence during re-opening.
Tourists will flow in bringing the virus with them. And, too few residents are following the stay-safe protocols, disregarding wearing masks and social distancing in public areas etc. Their false sense of isolation from this virus will endanger us all, once travelers begin to arrive and frequent businesses.
Yes, because the City Administrator is advocating for the best interest of citizens to the Curry Commissioners
It's scary because we don't really know what is "true" & "not true". I believe we still need to go slow.
Too early to re-open as cases still climb. We HAVE NOT accomplished anything remotely in the vicinity of the testing necessary to safely re-open. We don't even have enough tests available - nor do we have the infrastructure to do contact tracing. We're simply NOT EVEN CLOSE TO BEING READY TO RE-OPEN SAFELY!
Once we have a two week decline in all the Western states, enough testing so we can test it before they go back to work, and enough contact tracers trace those to turn positive.
my concern about any reopening is the transfer of the virus from outside communities. With this being a tourist destination it's a very difficult call for the entire community, as that is a major source of our economy...
Tourism does not need to be happening right now our communities health is more important than reopening businesses and allowing a flood of people coming to the coast.
I would like to see more testing made available...
WE have not even begun to see the amount of Covid-19 here if we reopen now we will surly kill many many people!
Calif & WA continue to disregard the governor's restrictions putting us at risk. I don't think now is a safe time for even a partial reopening.
It's taken too long already. The COVID19 "pandemic" has been no worse than the annual flu season despite what the hate Trump media and do nothing Democrats think.

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<p>I say YES because I will follow the rules & be as safe as I can. I just pray that others will do the same. My husband is in the high risk category - heart & kidney disease. I am a little worried about travelers passing through but I feel that most visitors will do the right thing. Also worried about food shortages & hoarding. Thank you for asking & Thank you to all our essential workers! Thank you for the weekly updates from Curry Health Network. This has been hard on everyone. I feel the Gold Beach community has done a fine job thus far.</p>
<p>We will need to slowly start opening business back up as this situation is not economically sustainable however public health must be a huge consideration.</p>
<p>I don't want out-of-towners coming here and carelessly tapping our already taxed resources and contaminating our stores with their germs</p>
<p>Only if businesses can operate and able to practice safe distancing, cleaning and PPE practices to keep themselves and others safe.</p>
<p>WE have asked Unregulated, Unlicensed Public officials who never applied for any License, Recieved any training like the nails salons and the Hair salons do. THESE professionals recieve training in sanitation and HAVE To keep up their licenses too. They get inspected, and scrutinized and ALL of the above paid for at these businesses own expense. But right now THEY are closed....But by all means open Motels? The politicians have NO official license They need to apply for in order to be THE DECIDERS? It is really a mystery to me. BUT still the Local politicians have decided to OPNE MOTELS And Transient Places first? They have No assurances that Motel workers were trained during the shutdown on how to sanitize after each visitor. The motels have not done squat as far as I know. Where were these trainings held to keep visitors KOOTIES from arriving here via the motel workers?</p>
<p>You idiots at the city level have been complicit in destroying the economy and In my opinion you should all be arrested.</p>
<p>Until there a firmer direction for a vaccination I have concerns. I believe most people will become complacent and disregard distancing and hygiene because the death isn't in their back yard.</p>
<p>Like most people I have mixed emotions. I understand the economic necessity of business is starting to reopen. However I am concerned for the health and safety of myself and the 40% of people in Gold Beach who fall into the vulnerable category. In addition we still have a lot of empty shelves in the grocery stores. So until the supply chain can be brought up to speed how can we possibly accommodate more people</p>
<p>We should open after testing, but we have no testing????</p>
<p>Prefer to keep it closed to those who don't live in our community for a while longer.</p>
<p>Citizens need to be highly encouraged to practice the best hygiene including wearing face masks and to think of others, not only themselves. Can't be legislated but needs to be modeled and strongly encouraged.</p>
<p>The guidelines are overly cautious in my opinion.</p>

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<p>The low incidence of Covid in Curry makes me feel confident about opening up as suggested. Those worried can still stay home and use all personal cleanliness options.</p>
<p>I answered "not sure" on this question because of the ever present question of enforcement. Regardless of what decisions are made I am frustrated by the lack of enforcement of those decisions.</p>
<p>Can't wait for it to start.</p>
<p>The key to success will be the implementation process.</p>
<p>I think our local restaurants need to start reopening not sure about hotels</p>
<p>As Americans we are responsible for being aware of and doing what is necessary to maintain our own health as well as respecting others</p>
<p>I understand that at some point, at some time.. we have to get back to 'living'. I, however will not feel free or comfortable for myself or those I may come in contact with until a vaccine is developed.. I think opening up before that time is an invite to disaster.. flattening the curve does not mean the virus is gone.</p>
<p>Maybe by May 15th to begin Phase I We all need to be able to test. We need to get our economy moving again as soon as it is safe. The Chinese Communist party needs to pay reparations to us for this global catastrophe.</p>
<p>I know that we have a tourist driven economy. Our numbers may look great for not having the virus, but if we open too soon, people coming in from areas with higher numbers can bring the virus with them.</p>
<p>Mostly yes, yet not sure about barbers, tattoo parlor, spas, beauty shops.</p>
<p>So many small business owners are in deep financial trouble, if not destitute. Most of don't qualify for unemployment and there are no Federal small businesses loans to be had. It truly makes no sense to do this to the 60% of the county who depend on the tourist and hospitality dollar... for what? To protect the 1% of the vulnerable population who who already be isolating? I love this town, I very intentionally moved to Gold Beach. I brought my online business here and also opened a retail shop so I could support this amazing community with donations to organizations of materials and gift certificates. In the 6 weeks that my shop was open, I had roughly \$300 in sales (before travel season). But I was very proud to be able to donate over \$1,200 in materials and gift certificates to organizations such as the Curry County Sheriff search and rescue fundraiser, the high school's clean and sober all-nighter, Christian help food bank in Thrift Center, Wild Rivers Animal Rescue, the Gold Beach Visitor's Center and over \$400 in gift certificates to the Curry County Fair as prizes for a wide range of categories. I have learned the town's early history as well as it's history of economic booms and busts. Most of us understand that if we do not do something drastic immediately (opening back up) that it will take many years to recover- and our population will further dwindle- not from Covid-19 deaths, but from financial suicide.</p>
<p>Before it is too late...yes. We can still stay safe but we need to live as safe free people not subjects of a nanny state.</p>

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I'll be waiting to see if infections go up after opening. The old normal is a thing of the past and this is uncharted territory so 'caution' is my mantra.
I wish I had read it before taking the survey to be able to tell you. But i think opening slowly and see how it plays out.
If everyone follows the protocols, then yes. But I see so many who aren't and that risks everyone.
My only wish is that we could limit it to in-state only.... I hate the thought of all the travelers swarming us again.
I am not in any way shape or form in fear of this virus, because, I have complete faith in God. I know not everyone is like me....start reopening businesses please. There's no reason why we can't with proper social distancing measures in place. The world, this country cannot survive like this.
I have little trust in our County BOC and Sheriff to enforce the guidelines whatever they turn out to be. I think masks should be required for everyone when in public. Currently those of us that take it seriously are at the mercy of those that don't and they are the very ones pushing for reopening.
Economy demands it
Concerned that tourists won't participate in social distancing.
I don't feel that people have been quarantined at all. I work at BiMart, our sales have been up in record numbers. If the so called quarantine was over I am sure it would be business as usual.
If and only if, it's managed well. The pre-emptive decision and then walk back to open transient housing without consulting the hospital about supplies or preparedness shows this isn't being thought out well. This is concerning. IF services are in place to help target fragile people and help them stay isolated, like grocery and medication delivery as well well-being check ins, then and only then are we ready for phased reopening.
I feel as though local restaurants & bars should be able to open for locals, but that lodging & hotels could be dangerous with all the tourism from abroad
I am ok with our community opening up to our community I am not ok with opening up our community it travelers
I understand completely our tourist economy. I owned a charter business in Brookings for 11 years. that being said, I also understand how many seniors and immuno compromised citizens are in this county. My opinion is it is very foolish to open the county to tourists from anywhere out of the county right now. If you want to practice opening for biz, do it with local, fairly essential shops and just maybe we can keep our numbers under control. If we open up lodging, etc. to tourists, we will see our numbers rise in a few short weeks. Money can be replaced, people can't, and especially vulnerable people.
No we need to keep the community safe. Reopening now could cause so much damage to the community.
Time to open as small business cannot last much longer. The economy will be worse than the Covid.

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Too many people have no idea what is going on.
I think it's to soon.
I don't feel testing has been adequate to establish prevalence in Curry County. We really don't know how many people actually have it if the only tests given out are for those who are already very ill, or have been exposed to someone who has tested positive or is a first responder. To flip the model to quarantining sick people instead of all people, the availability of testing is critical.
If I encounter a situation where I do not feel safe, I withdraw immediately.
We don't need it to start back up and keep out of state people home.
https://thewallwillfall.org/2020/04/20/stanford-study-proves-covid-19-was-overhyped-death-rate-is-likely-under-0-2/ The facts are, COVID-19 is killing about 0.2% of those who are infected. This is far less than MERS and less than SARS, and only slightly higher than the flu. The media has hyped up fear to such a degree, with fake news and exaggerated claims that people are scared not thinking rationally.
We do not have the resources here to reopen during a pandemic ...nor should we put residents at risk for the needs of a few... and on another note who decides on reopening ? I feel it's more political dogma then actual fact based info guiding are elected officials decisions and that's scary.
Not yet. Curry has the draw of the coast. Hotels should probably be one of the last things to open. Shops and services need to fully re open and come back on line before we throw the doors open to visitors.
Since I can't read the Phased re-opening process, I'm unsure of the plan.
Each phase transition is too quick. To have gatherings of over 50 and unrestricted staff by a month from Phase I does not seem prudent. We are already seeing out of state plates. This morning two visitors from Nevada walking by Otter Point and other instances I have observed. Weather is warming inland, nice highway travel due to the absence of traffic are luring visitors. They are here without protective gear. I'm concerned.
People are responsible for their own health. Want a mask? Wear a mask. Want to stay home? Stay home. Quality of life really is better than quantity if we must live like caged animals
Ready availability of regular testing is the BIG concern. People coming to the area from elsewhere is another concern. A third concern is the wide variation in how seriously people are taking social distancing.
Of worried do not go out!
Sounds quite reasonable. As long as we are far away (date of last confirmed case and accounting for that person's possible infecting of others...) from contagion due to contact in our community.

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<p>We need more testing. It shouldn't be just with a doctor's ok, as it is hard to see a doctor at this time.</p>
<p>I am not happy that the county does not have locals best interest in their plans. I am grateful that individual cities are handling issues created by the county I am concerned that establishments not within city limits will follow County lead and bring a flood of individuals that place demands on supplies that are still not stable</p>
<p>my business is still open, and I follow guidelines</p>
<p>It's too soon to allow outsiders in to reinfect us</p>
<p>Still have doubts about how much truth is out there about this virus.</p>
<p>Anyone with underlying medical conditions, a weak immune system, living with someone in a vulnerable individual should continue to take recommendations for protection. Anyone ill should stay home. Businesses should have the right to refuse entry, service to anyone obviously ill to protect their staff and clients. When in close proximity to others continue to utilize precautions: hand washing, avoid roughing your face, cover coughs, etc. much as you would normally do when flu and cold season is active. No one is being forced to go out.</p>
<p>I do not believe Gold Beach members will follow guidelines. Hospital is not ready.</p>
<p>With limits on space, occupancy and area. Beaches to walk, small business allowing half of occupancy and services such as DMV.</p>
<p>Feel opening hotels right off the get go is asking for issues. We should slowly start with restaurants offering outside sit down services with family groups at tables only. Doctors restart seeing patients with testing being more offered. NOT just with a md order as it's very hard just to see a physician. MOST counties ask a on line questionnaire if you follow under potential exposure you are offered to be tested</p>
<p>Without testing it is sort of like playing Russian Roulette. Does someone coming through have the Virus or not. They wouldn't even know if they had the virus and were asymptomatic. In the end I feel that we should limit the opening to those that are not vulnerable and the vulnerable folks may have to stay in place until there is a vaccine or effective therapy.</p>
<p>I am the primary breadwinner for my family and plan to do anything I need to to open my business back up.</p>
<p>I feel safe as long as masks, sanitizers and social distances are used. I do not agree with any gatherings</p>
<p>I don't believe there is enough stock and availability of PPE to handle a spike in Covid hospitalizations. We need to continue to "flatten the curve" until there is adequate PPE for all health care and nursing homes.</p>

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<p>We shop in Brookings on occasion - we did this 4/25. My anxiety rapidly increased as we witnessed a number of people not wearing masks and ignoring physical distancing guidelines. Bi-Mart employees were not wearing masks. Grocery outlet employees were wearing masks and in some cases face shields. Fred Meyer was a nightmare. No markings on the floor other than at the registers - people were encroaching on our physical space left & right. We normally shop every other week - we will limit our Brookings shopping trips to once a month if needed.</p>
<p>At the time of this writing, Curry County has 4 confirmed cases, and someone decided it wasn't important for citizens to know the city in which these folks reside. I'd feel very differently if all 4 cases were in Port Orford, as I never go that direction. If all the cases are in Gold Beach, it's way too soon. How can Gold Beach citizens feel safe without facts and real information?</p>
<p>I personally feel safe at this time and am thinking starting things up and tourists appearing will help end this virus. People have spent a month or more staying home to help flatten the curve and to have it all thrown away. This hasn't been an easy adjustment for many. However, I can see that there will be many businesses that will simply disappear and that is certainly a shame. I have been preaching for a few years on the value of being prepared for emergencies so the adjustment has not been as big of a hardship on me as on some. Don't know how many other's listened. but since we are in an earthquake and tsunami zone, I can only hope that many were prepared for this.</p>
<p>There is so much contradictory info around. I do feel somewhat better with the low number of cases in our county/state.</p>
<p>Need to re open sooner and faster.</p>
<p>I believe we need to work on opening things "gradually". Our stores still have bare shelves. They need to be able to replenish. Our coastal towns are going to be hit extremely hard with people from everywhere. In my opinion it's still too soon, especially for hotels. So I think the phase 1, phase 2, and phase 3 plan is a great idea to ensure the safety and health of our local residents and our workers who will be working to tend to travelers. I believe there will be a resurgence if things are opened too soon, worse than the original. I want to see our town open up and thrive again, but the safety and health of our citizens is way more important. Tammy Jo Oliver Local resident Thank you all for doing what you're doing. You're doing a great job!</p>
<p>Not enough adequate testing for our community...we have no clue how many people with the infection are out there waiting to get sick...and our peak isn't until the middle of May.</p>
<p>I am fully prepared to keep the social distancing guidelines and stay at home if needed. But this community needs to reopen its businesses.</p>
<p>If it is done in stages, preferably opening up to out of states last.</p>

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I've been a housekeeper in Gold Beach for almost 20 years. Majority of us housekeepers here are older & already have respiratory issues related to the chemicals we clean with. I'm terrified of being exposed to this virus, as it could be devastating for myself & my coworkers. If one of us gets sick..we ALL get sick, & then we will have no option but to close anyway. Is it really worth it? We've tried the 6 feet distancing rule & it was very difficult to perform our daily duties. On top of that, having guests that don't respect that rule & impede our personal space. Please reconsider reopening Curry County until we are 'out of the woods'.
As long as it is taken slowly and with an eye toward science and logic
I feel that Curry County and other rural counties will have a hard time meeting the guidelines set forth. Due to our small populations. I feel necessary protective equipment will be provided to our bigger cities and counties skipping over us just like testing resources have been. Hopefully this doesn't delay return to normal
We haven't seen a downward trend in COVID cases in our state. We are not able to get tested either for the virus or antibodies, and no tracing and tracking are in place if testing isn't happening. Also, people are not wearing masks which should be mandatory.
Masks should be mandatory during the phase reopenings.
I still see too many people disregarding social distancing guidelines and without masks in stores and other public environments. This disregard for others doesn't give me confidence that care will be taken when restrictions are lifted.
This is completely unnecessary, this quarantine is just putting people in a more vulnerable position later!
I do not believe that many people are taking this seriously. Do the research it cannot be compared to our usual flu.
While we do need to get things reopened, it should ONLY be a soft, staggered reopening for LOCALS only! Do NOT open the county to out of area travelers for lodging, the beaches, fishing, etc. Until much later!
Ready. Set. Go.
We need our economy back. The working class needs to be working and the immune compromised or fragile need to continue staying home with help from family and neighbors, etc...
Too premature. Why go ahead of state timeline?
Concerned about opening to soon too much to quick
I feel like it'll open it up and start getting more cases.
I can do my own self-distancing. Our businesses are economically fragile for the most part, and need to open. In addition, parks and playgrounds should open. Living in a tourist driven society, we will never dig out way out of we don't get moving pretty soon.

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<p>There will be a (likely small) spike in cases when we reopen. But the immune compromised or ill people should self isolate for the time being. Altho I am in my sixties, I am healthy and plan to continue to use hand washing and caution as I have always done.</p>
<p>I think that looking at how many cases we have and how low they are.. 4 that's low that we are in a good position to open up for locals only... I do not want to open up for tourism because that will bring this virus to our fairly clean community.. I think that our Dr.s need to be rehired and working... we need them .. we need dentists.. GP's and specialists. we need chiropractors.. and we need to do a soft open for our restaurants, hair dressers.. barbers...social distancing is still a good idea.. the only reason I don't want to do a full on open is because unless EVERYONE is tested then we really don't know how many cases we have.. We are a strong community and many of us do not run to the Dr. over every little snuffle or aches and pains.. I would hate to open too soon to tourism and find ourselves with out Dr.s (like now) or the ability to take care of it if we had a spike in cases..</p>
<p>Has nothing about hotel/ RV parks opening or not. As soon as we "open" more people from out of town and state will come. There is already a lot of people coming in . You see them at the stores and on the boat ramp. RV parks have more RV's this week than last even though they are closed.</p>
<p>I do not see a decline in the state. If we open here the people from the more affected areas will come here. I am not saying to border us off but why ask for infected people to come here.</p>
<p>If we don't begin getting back to normal the consequences will be dire. Even the idea that we're going to open up slowly with restrictions is an America I'm not accustomed to. The market will be dictated by the people. It is silly to assume opening will immediately result in mass travel. I believe it will take people a moment to adjust and do what is best for them.</p>
<p>I believe it is just to soon and we are not seeing a decreased amount of cases</p>
<p>I searched for the Phased Reopening Documents on the City web site but I was unsuccessful in locating them.</p>
<p>Testing in Oregon and curry county is not even close to good enough to know how many people are actually infected. The hospital has laid off or fired most medical professionals.</p>

COVID19 CITIZEN SURVEY COMMENTS

QUESTION #5 Personally, when do you feel we should begin re-opening process locally?

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May 1
I understand the pressure the governor and the states are under to try to balance the need to mitigate both financial and physical suffering. I have a hard time, a really hard time, understanding why the citizenry of the United States must bare this risk. In my view, this is precisely why we have a federal government. Workers need aid to help them through this tough time. The emphasis should be on helping workers and grass roots small businesses instead of bailing out large companies. I will stay home so others, who need to, can go out. We need testing, contact tracing and healthcare capacity to deal with a potential surge post re-opening.
I worry about those who are not as vulnerable as I am losing everything to protect people like me. There is no risk free status in life and I want us to be cautious and informed, but I know people need to get back to work.
I know that is unreasonable but I do think much more strict guidelines need to be in effect first.
Lots of testing should be readily available,with shorter turn around time results and tracking of contact.
I do understand the need to balance economic health and physical health -- livelihood and lives. I am open to the community following federal and state policy regarding phased reopening as long as the gating criteria are followed and without testing we cannot meet those criteria. Specifically, just because we in Curry have seen no change in cases is that not because we still have not tested ? For my part, my 87 yr old mother lives with us now and my husband has high blood pressure. Our family will wait for treatment or vaccine before we reengage.
We must alleviate impact to healthy people while protecting sick people.
Follow state guidelines
Please only start the process when it is truly safe to start doing so based on facts and science.
When more testing has been done in our community and there is a more accurate picture of how many covid-19 cases have actually been present here, symptomatic (unqualified for early testing because of the stringent standards) and asymptomatic people, especially essential workers please! As well as those who have traveled over seas or to a hot spot since Feb. Reopening with less than a half a percent tested is flying blind imho. Like to see at least 2% tested, specifically targeting those populations mentioned above.
When we have worked out new protocols for safe new business practices. Cleaning/spacing/PPE regulations adhered too, by workers and public, etc.
I trust our governors response and want to be following the advice of scientists and Dr Fauci. None say opening up right now is good.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS ARE GOOD FOR 39 WEEKS; WHY RISK IT?
Open up the town, provide masks, hand sanitizer, distancing etc

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It would be ideal to open after treatment and vaccines were available. But waiting that long would damage economy too drastically. Opening with safe distancing and strong disinfection regulation as well as continued use of masks being encouraged would be helpful to the economy as well as protecting the health of the citizens.
We have noticed most people in the “elderly” community are not wearing masks. We feel social distancing and masks should be required. Otherwise, no limitations.
Mid May would be the earliest
May 22nd, but only if we are still at low numbers of cases and have furthered our testing capacity. I could easily live with sometime in early June.
The state is allowed by the federal government to set its own policies. The county should be able to set its policies. The cities should also be able to set their own policies also. What applies to Salem/Portland is not applicable here in Gold Beach. As long as the first place to open doesn't get an influx of visitors from the last place the most infected place.
When TESTING, TESTING, TESTING and body temperature monitoring is in place.
We have to come up with a way to make sure high risk people can continue to SIP..meal or grocery delivery. Someone actually managing this. Staffed contact tracers at the ready
Do not jump ahead of state guidelines, make decisions based on facts and expert opinions, ensure decisions are based on Curry County residents and their health. We are not ready to open the doors to visitors.
Not enough tests have been done in Curry County to assure that we have a low number positive cases
May 1, 2019
People are going to lose their businesses if they haven't already.
when people stop contracting the virus
NEED Vaccine for sure 👍😞🦠👤🧴🌸
Testing would be very helpful to better understand our situation.
There are therapeutics companies working on therapy. Seems to be some good potential therapies in the pipeline. Also, I will personally wear a mask. It protects other.
Think it's too soon for tourist areas. Around 5/18 perhaps
High risk people should self quarantine. Everyone should continue social distancing. Businesses should be open to residents for now with strict protocols for safety and cleanliness.
My answer is above in the comments for question 4.
May 4

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PERSONALLY, TO SURVIVE, I SHALL AWAIT THE VACCINE, NOT THE TREATMENT. YES, I AM FULLY AWARE IT COULD BE TWO YEARS. :) IT WILL BE MY RETREAT/VACATION :)
`Again, testing should be widely available to monitor case numbers after phased reopening, so that we would be aware of changes in incidence and can then do contact tracking on positive cases.
End of May into June.
I would like to see broad testing and tracing throughout the County before we think of reopening
When procedures are in place to do so safely
I feel it really depends on each county but follow guidelines on what to do when try reopening slowly.
sadly, treatments/vaccines do not seem to be available in the near future...when the medical/science professionals deem it safe...
Follow the Governors Mandate!
And not until Oregon is free of new cases. We've already seen a blantant disregard of social distancing. I don't want to start the quarantine over again because people are getting ancy.
It becomes a difficult task to place a date on it. Are there things that could begin to re-open? Likely there are items that are closed that pose no greater risk to the public than the average visit to the grocery store. Self-quarantine could be a solution, but if folks are allowed to return to work, they will likely fear that if they take time off work that their job could be in jeopardy..
Would like to wait till there is a vaccine but don't think GB can/should wait a year. I think we should follow the best expert advice that we have - federal & state guidelines. Individuals like myself & husband can continue to hunker down & not totally reopen ourselves based on a hard date.
To be comfortable in June if compliance is happening with Businesses.
The county Commisioners did nothing but stop stuff. Noting that once you stop stuff you need to have Some actual plans in place or ideas? They just seemed to defer this off to A far off land called Washington D.C? where was any sort of help or assistance to these Motels you shut down? It seems like a lot of time was wasted just wondering what to do? Real disappointment. But this is Because THE commisioners are not trained to handle pandemics? Where is the Health Dept? Just not surprised, But dissappointed quite frankly.
Post tourist season
test results
There is no one size fits all. And we have been spared to date largely because the shutdown stopped transit in and out of our community. BUT a phased re-opening should be possible with increased support for those at risk to stay home and out of harm's way. We will get more cases. No way around it as we open up.

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Antibody studies are proving that the virus has already been in local communities, possibly as early as December or even before. I personally know at least 2 people locally who had recovered from likely C19 in February. The shut down is unconstitutional. The longer we are shut down = the worse things will be when we reopen. The shut down is devastating more lives than it is saving - ours included.
Because we have such a high at risk population in combination with the fact that we do not have the required beds and medical staffing needed if we were to see a spread begin here in Curry county we really should continue to hold off on opening until the surrounding areas have died down and are on a downward curve. As much as the tourism dollars are needed for revenue so are the community members that make up the county. The death toll would be very significant if it began to spread here and bringing in tourists from elsewhere poses that risk significantly.
Sooner rather than later.
We have to start somewhere, so we need to be our own advocute , use commen cense follow guidelines for all, its going to be a gamble how the virus spreads wether we open today or tomorrow
Also, Mckays shelves are barren in some areas (pasta, can foods, etc). How will that ever improve if we allow tourists back in?
Should start slowly first week of may. With personal services like hair saloons, nail palors, and tattoo shops that can put in social distancing protocols. Restaurants open at half capacity,etc.
May 1, 2020
Not sure there is a good answer. Start slow may 1st
If not when treatment or vaccine availability, then at least when the mess of testing is straighted out and testing is easy to be done with quick results.
Around May 15th unless things get worse.
Not really sure when. Again, concerns about our tourism bringing in people from all over not just our state but around the world. I'm involved in the visitor center in Gold Beach and the numbers and locations all over the world of people visiting us is phenomenal. 2019 we had visitors from all 50 states and Asia, Africa, Europe, Canada, South America and Antarctica. 21,198 total visitor contacts just to the center.
When a major downturn of new cases
May 1st seems to be when other communities looking at reopening, and not a minute too soon.
Time is of the essence.
May 10th mothers day
ASAP. start slow. Maybe limit hours still and keep distancing in place only 10 people in small shops for a month and reevaluate in june.
See above

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I can't choose a date because we don't have testing and tracing and too many people don't care about the health and safety of others. It should be a very slow process and be prepared to retract fast. Tourism is big in GB but the first people into our communities will be those that don't take this seriously and they will endanger all of us.
May 10
People who are at risk should be protecting themselves in any conditions, not just in our current circumstances. "Healthy" people should be able to go about their business.
"If it ain't broke why fix it"? What's being done is working. Let's continue to follow the expert advise as long as it fits our situation. Will it be painful? Yes absolutely. However, it has to be done to save lives.
If you are going to have a "yesterday" answer, you should have one that states "never". very leading question for all the macho, freedom to do what I want, instant grantification folks. On this question, I'm torn between my answer and follow state guidelines.
Start considering it on May 15th
June 1st at the latest.
Really? No specific date. You have no idea when this will end, no one does. We need to keep doing what we are doing while it's still being studied and vacs are being made.
As stated above, I don't think that our community meets the gateway criteria for testing.
Yesterday, but following safe practices.
The people here don't know enough about this virus, we need to get more and better information to keep it under control. I would rather be safe than SORRY.
May 1,2020
The death rate is hugely biased due to guidelines to doctors to attribute deaths to COVID-19 where the actual COD was cancer or heart disease or anything but COVID-19. https://twitter.com/chrisbergpov/status/1247680994821509121?s=20
State guidelinesSTATE of Oregon
See above. Can't set a specific date yet. Hotels and businesses are closed all the way up the coast. Reopening needs to be a simultaneous regional/coastal effort so one area does not get flooded
I feel it is safe to reopen when no new cases have sprung up in a certain amount of time, but I am unsure of how long that should be.

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I think it is too soon to know. I would wait until June 1st and see what these warm days bring to our coast..more travelers will come. If this virus is as bad as it seems I would love the government to fund our businesses to stay shuttered for four months, but I realize this is tourist season. Or fund a mask making a d ppe factory out at the old mill sites do we can turn out direction to something safer than tourism. Restaurants are not going to do well, unless they can be at full capacity which I consider dangerous. We dont know enough yet to be comfortable reopening this quickly.
To be able to be with friends again.
June 1st with at least a two week no new cases.
Depends on how recent the last person confirmed to have Covid virus and the length of time which others may have contracted virus from that person....if all that is within the time period well BEFORE the town opens up again then I will feel "safe". Since there are plenty of people wandering around town without masks and not practicing safe guidelines - I am all for opening but, because of the people not at all concerned about carrying and infecting others, we need a safe date that accounts for those people.
Covid-19 has not reached us fully, as of yet. The sooner you open, the more cases will increase..so whenever that happens, after that!
In addition to federal and state guidelines there needs to be additional protections unique to individual communities.
Flying Rida spring break influx in virus should be a guideline.
And am surprised, with all the time, urgency, and monies available, this hasn't happened already.
We need more testing prior to re-opening
June 1 at the earliest. As long as other counties and states continue to be on the up curve keep it closed.
Vaccine and treatment so months away. Caution with full transient housing such has hotels - 1/3 of space so proper cleaning and space can be achieved.
When we have gotten our covid cases all the way down
I would like to wait til the end of May and then see how other places have done with reopening.
May 4th that gives the community a little more time to prepare.
I don't think we need special rules in our area. The county and coastal cities need to end their travel lodging restrictions.
I feel we should gradually open local businesses per fed/state guidelines first. Then consider TLT as guidelines advise. I agree with our City Manager as to phased opening. I too have concerns about supply chain and support for our citizens. Our citizens needs should be considered above tourism.

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Key word is begin. Measured
Per capita, there has been virtually no testing in our county. There's no way to know based on current numbers how we have really come out of this or if we have. The feds say data driven reopen, we need data. To pretend that we've only have 4 cases is dangerous to everyone, especially our vulnerable populations.
Also when testing is available to all.
5-1-20 to 5-15-20
I say this because I have been very pleased with the way our Governor Kate Brown has responded and will trust her judgment which is obviously based on research. I am very disappointed in the BOC at this time and question their timing, particularly since 3 of the motels are at the port which already has many visitors who do seem to be behaving however since the beaches, at least and camping areas are closed. I, like many in Curry, feel their decision (although they haven't had the final vote yet) is based strictly on dollars and not people's health.
We are nothing like large urban California cities. We should not be linked to their schedule for reopening.
Please keep Curry closed...save lives! ❤️
Definitely by the end of May . We need our tourist season or I don't feel local businesses will survive
When we get testing for everyone.
I think we need to follow the guidelines but all people should be told to wear a mask when not in their home to protect others. It is always going to be risky when we first start to open up.
If testing were available to everyone, not just people with active symptoms, we would be able to frame our local requirements with much more confidence.
Our immune systems are increasingly compromised with each additional day of quarantine.
Base it off of the criteria described by the medical professionals that created state and federal guidelines. Ensure structures are in place to assess and what the protocol will be for monitoring. Communication systems in our county are lagging and inadequate that alone is a big red flag.
I in no way am making light of this situation but "life right now" is quickly becoming non sustainable and could in fact prove more dire in the long run
Carefully guidelines
5/4/2020
When we are confident that we won't have a wave spread through GB. It hasn't really hit here yet so it may still be in the wings.
See above.

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May 1. Or 4, since that is stated date. Covid, while highly contagious is not nearly as much a killer as previously thought. Several viruses (and complications from) kill people every year. That is the nature of life.
When the appropriate amount of safeguards are in place. PPE , restricted tourism, etc
Or when the number of people infected have declined to zero new cases a day.
Govt. must be careful not to overstep the "Police Power" they have. At some point they will have overstepped there authority and will be held responsible.
Follow scientific recommendations based on modeling. The most recent article I read suggested May 27, in general, for Oregon.
When County, States and US numbers state coming down. I believe it is very irresponsible to restart sooner than that.
Very slowly
I think it is too early. Our numbers are rising again. If we open too soon we may see catastrophe here in our rural communities. The same people (tourists) that ensure our financial wellbeing throughout the year are the same people that will come in droves to vacation. This with further spread the disease to our most vulnerable populations and further decimate our local food paper products. I went grocery shopping yesterday. Not one roll of toilet paper on the shelves. Canned and box foods shelves are either completely empty or they are almost gone. The meat department staff told me there is an uptick in meat sales "again". I don't think we should be even "considering" this reopening until June 1st. I am not sure that is doable either but we are jumping the gun if we do this now. We try to order online and most all products are out of stock. Hunker down and let's get through this is order to beat it.
More testing needs to be done. Our small community is probably ok since we haven't been traveling but people traveling through will bring it in. Until we know that number, it's not prudent to open.
I feel that certain types of businesses could open carefully with limited interactions, but I feel gatherings should remain closed until treatment or vaccine is available to help with the second and potentially third wave we know will happen.
There is not going to be a right answer. Use the State and Fed guideline as reference but not as a final say. Take emotion and fear out of the conversation. Realize that this situation has the potential to break our already fragile 'tourism' economy and the business that represent it.
Or when we see a decrease in numbers
June 1

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While I selected "Follow the fed/state phased guidelines" I am concerned that those guidelines (that I have not read) will not take into consideration outbreaks in rural areas such as ours in a timely manner and that local businesses will proceed to open in an un-phased manner to insure their survival. When visitors from other states, that may have much larger infection statistics, begin arriving in the city they will undoubtedly bring Covid-19 with them and will infect our tiny population. This will be disastrous in that it will overwhelm our hospital and further disrupt business in Gold Beach. I am also concerned that until issues with providing supplies for living (food, paper products, etc) are again available on a consistent basis that we are not ready for visitors.
End of May/June
June or July 1 based upon continued decline in cases/deaths nationally.
I believe the loss of life due to the Virus is less than the loss of life if the economy is not up and running REAL soon.
Two weeks to 30 days
Hard to really say on this but seems after our local "peak" in covid cases would be the best time to consider a slow reopening.
When the virus declines and people stop dying.
As soon as we see a decline in covid 19 cases
Motels, B&B's, Vacation Rentals and RV parks open late summer. Masks mandatory. Open restaurants, and other shops, etc..

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While I am most anxious to just go on a date with my husband, I would like to stress that the real human lives that can be affected by reopening too soon are far more important.
This phony pandemic is ruining the economy
Miss friends -- but acknowledge there are ways to deal with that with technology and virtually. Miss going for long hikes along the coast, Loeb, walking by Floras Lake etc. -- but am lucky we can do a lot of walking and still be considerate.
I am not personally economically suffering, but see it really affecting many I know. I am worried that people will lose everything they have worked for and will be debt ridden for many years.
My family of friends
These are some rather limited/leading options, but ok.
We are retired and our other family members live out of the area. We are used to having people over for coffee and we miss that. I wonder whether adequate testing would change that and would it enable us to help others without harming them or ourselves? We were running an Airbnb but shut that down for the rest of the year effective March 8. We miss the pleasure of hosting visitors as well as the earnings we had.
But only with testing
Healthy Life Balance
All of the above. Especially outdoor tecreation in my local area. And spiritual spending time in nature.
TOURISM IS A TWO EDGE SWORD; ON ONE HAND THOSE DOLLARS SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY ON THE OTHER, THOSE TOURISTS BRING RISK OF INFECTION FROM EVERYWHERE ELSE.
We are ok financially, but from what I see on social media, others are on the brink of a mental health crisis. Assume the financial hardship is responsible.
All of the options listed above are important. But simply put, the local economy is what drives (allows) us to be able to most all of the other options.
Really frustrating g watching lives getting destroyed. Many of my friends that got played off still have yet to collect any money. Families are suffering emotionay and financially. My business gone!! Too much false info, no trust at all
You should be able to have more than one choice here. Family and economics are both vital to our community.
We own vacation rental -and as retirees it's an important (majority) facet of our income
Also travel
I own a recreation provider business and am concerned if we open too early we may see an outbreak that would close us down for the entire summer. I need July and August the most.

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Too many people already doing all of the above even with the stay at home/social distancing requirements. License plates on vehicles traveling on 101 are about 30% out of state. Very few wear masks. Many visit family or have the grandkids come for a visit. At least one Church is open on Sundays. Hotels/motels still have the "occasional" check-in. Some Gold Beach government employees (elected and hired) are traveling and shopping in Crescent City and Coos Bay. Those who take it seriously are a minority.
My family lives 7 hrs. away. Visiting them would be the reason I'd like to Travel. Seeing my local friends is just as important to me, but I will continue to wear my mask and maintain social distancing.
All of the above, except travel, would be a better answer.
I seldom interacted with others before COVID 19.
I'm stuck in SC.. My doctor at OHSU has given me to June to have Essential MEDICAL CARE.
Health, when safe, should be the only consideration.
All the above,
All the above must prevent 2nd wave
A large number of working people / families in Curry live hand to mouth and need to keep working to eat and pay bills.
My husband has elderly parents and a step=parent with health issues who live in other parts of Oregon who before this happened we were seeing once a month for a couple days each to visit and help out. It has been very difficult only being able to talk with them on the phone. His mother lives alone and has been very lonely. Although we would like to see them we definitely don't want to take any chances for their health or our own. I also have health conditions, so we all need to be careful.
NONE OF THE ABOVE WARRANT RISKING MY LIFE. I CHOOSE,
Retired. No family.
All of the above are important to me but overall if business don't open up Gold Beach will become a ghost town. We thrive off of tourism
Family means everything but worry about so many people going under because they have no job. Employers losing businesses because can't open.
Personally I am staying home and quite comfortable with that. However my biggest concern are the local small businesses.
"Other" - WHEN IT IS PROVEN TO BE SAFE ENOUGH FOR PEOPLE TO NOT HAVE TO BE SOCIALLY DISTANT TO INTERACT/FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY IN THE WORKPLACE AND ANY INTERACTION.
not for my economic benefit (I'm retired), but for the community...then for me it would be travel (to see family), then social...

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I feel we need to stay at home and follow orders until the numbers start decreasing
I miss hugging friends and the many volunteer projects I was involved in, however the only reason to push reopening is economic. My friends and neighbor's businesses are suffering.
Our Business is closed
Why not a "none of the above" category?
My concern lands in folks recovering from the hardships that this event has and is placing on them. Weighing the costs is the most important part. Is hanging out with friends something that is more important to oneself than securing the well being of someone's wellness? Re-opening has to happen, it just needs to be balanced, and re-closure needs to be planned for.
I feel all of the above.
Library is so important for me. The used bookstore and cafe there.
I have never been able to stay home, i and my husband still have to work. I do worry about my friends that aren't working
I look around and other people are traveling still and there's plenty of out of state plates and yet we're obeying the distancing and stay at home order so it's frustrating. These people are assholes in my opinion. I understand we are a tourist community but we need to take care of our own before we take on more
Economic to help our city overcome the burden and survive but safe. Second is Social
Would love to be able to go to church again. Also financial as my husband was cut to half time. Please open our county back up
Too many of the local businesses will simply fade away and the county let it happen.
I have been off work now a month, with no unemployment yet coming in. Have 5 weeks sitting and not processed yet, Have also not received the stimulus check promised by the government. I am behind on rent,electric,garbage and phone bill , car ins is due on the 10th and I do not have the cash. All takes cash. yes I was able to get on snap as we have 4 in the household not working now. But that does not pay the bills or by non food items like cat and dog food, tp,paper towels, tooth past, kotex , we need to reopen before it is to late for some people.
Sorry, truly unsure on this one.
All of the above
Services- I need a dentist. Otherwise this shutdown has impacted me very little. My life is one of emergency preparedness.
Very concerned about economic impact of staying shut down.

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I feel we have to start somewhere and sooner rather than later while we still have businesses that are still alive, I think the business will be smart about how to be safe for their customers
So my friends and family can get back to work. My work has been steady during lock down, maybe even busy as i am one of the few willikg to work.
We need to do what is necessary to get our country back to financial levels required to support our citizens
Freedom of movement. Still don't have a mask.
Everyone wants to work and provide for our families. But I'd rather not die for the dollar. This is a time for sacrifice of all our citizens.
Important to be with friends. Get back to Volunteer
All the reasons are important because that's what it means to be human. If we didn't have Facebook would we really be going about things the way we have? Think about that.
My life is relatively unaffected except for beaches and campgrounds closed. I feel that. But I also deeply feel for the ones who are affected economically. No old normal for them either.
Personal funds are getting skimpy. I did not receive unemployment funds or a stimulus check.
People need to work to survive. We still need to eat, and pay bills.
All of the above
Visiting with my "family" of friends because we all conscientiously observe safe protocols. My heart aches for those families struggling financially but they don't seem to be the ones making the most noise.
Thinking long term It's necessary Been workin all along safely It can be done
I am supporting my 19 year old daughter, who is a waitress. I have had to pay our bills and Hera in order for her to remain in her own apartment. I have 4 other kids at home. This has been extremely stressful.
Being recently diagnosed with cancer, the reopening has special challenges for me. Being part of a more vulnerable group for starters. Not being able to have family help me after surgery is going to be particularly difficult. Partial re-opening is a double edged sword for me now.
My friends are my family
Again it isn't the time to reopen
Be able to market, eat out, have medical & other appointments & walk around without fear of contracting potentially deadly disease. Live without fear of everyone.

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Family/friends/socializing is all the same category. People first. Everything else second.
I don't want to see our local businesses go under. While I'm glad there's some federal help available for this recession, not everyone is able to access it.
All of the above life needs to get back to a normalized routine for everyone's mental health.
I'm retired but want to support local businesses and help them them to survive.
there is nothing more important than my health.. I'LL WAIT.
Nope 🙅lets stay safe ..thanks
Businesses need to be open, with "new normal" precautions implemented and enforced
I live in a fairly isolated environment and social distancing is not a problem except at friend's homes or church services; I do want my friends and myself to feel safe; I have not heard of any new cases popping up in my community for weeks now, so I am probably happy to socialize closer than six feet any time.
But I will continue physically distancing, wearing a mask and staying in place until a vaccine.
Support the economic viability of our town/county.
All are important-it is hard to weight them. I feel badly for people in the community who are unable to earn a living. I would like to see our city park opened, and camping available on a reservations basis with reduced numbers. I would like to see churches be able to offer indoor and outdoor services that allow for spacing between family units. I am not finding difficulty finding volunteer activites. I would like to visit family, but my children have been terrified by the media.
all of the above
I've been working but so many people haven't
For the health of our community - and of the people we call extended family, there is a need to visit and reconnect. Also, small businesses is an important way to begin - like haircuts and stores now closed.
I don't think we should reopen anything until there's a vaccine.
Work is important so I'd have to answer economic by default. But you can't have an economy without living, health human beings..just saying.
I think opening up for the Economy can be important, but I think that people's social needs are important for their mental health.
Visit friends
All activities are important. People's preferences are different. Safety should precede personal comfort
I very much might not be able to maintain my business by June
Open up our business and get back to work.

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I will visit my family when I can ensure I wont bring this disease to my elderly grandparents.
Too many are being hurt financial due to lock down. Let them work but take common sense precautions
Only when it is safe
Of course health and safety would be the number one but after that the economy is the most important thing without a doubt. We have no idea how this is going to affect us economically but I feel it is going to be wicked! I feel like we are waiting for the tsunami to come and wash everything away. Already many small businesses will not be able to reopen. The money that the government is spending I am afraid is going to become worthless and inflation is going to be rampant. But it is what it is. The public is going to have to feel safe before it is going to jump back into whatever the new normal becomes.
I need to go back to work. Funds are dwindling fast. I did NOT apply for unemployment benefits.
County/city/social services need to be more proactive in helping the elderly and chronically ill stay at home. Too many are not; which makes me feel unsafe and worried about being a carrier.
When people lose everything, what is left worth fighting for to survive here. As you know our rental rates take the majority of local paychecks and may not even be able to afford to move to another area. Most do not have the finances to continue at this pace and the economic damage could last decades and we just started to recover from the last one.
Local Travel- I am ready to camp at our local parks. I believe reopening our campgrounds- private, state, and national could be done for locals only, initially, and they would be full. It wouldn't be difficult to verify addresses with an ID check when the host rolls around. More to #7: I am so very fortunate to have the ability to work from home, most of the time. I've taken on financial responsibilities for relatives who are not able to work right now.
I personally work from home but I see our small businesses suffering and believe with using safety precautions we can help our community.
Be able to get back to work
I have been able to grocery shop either on line or click shopping with Fred Meyer, but do miss family get-together's and birthdays. Will be leery of shopping in crowds for a long time, if ever again.
Our people need to get back to work.
Our community and businesses need to reopen but not at the risk of human lives.
We simply do not know enough. Ideally, we should focus on how to help those most in need. Desperation leads to lack of patience.
We need to get the economy back. But also need to be cautious. We also should be able to visit at least our family if we feel comfortable with it. We should be able to go to our second houses without being told we can't be here, we are just as much a part of the community

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All of the Above, it is all things we need!!!
All of the above.
Work
i personally am still working with precautions
See above.
Altho I am mostly a loner, I am not a hermit. I live alone. I never liked conversing by phone. I use social media (own or administrate 4 local facebook groups), but find that it has divided people more than brought them together. In the 6 1/2 years I have been in GB, I have gotten involved in this community more than I have in any other. Interacting face to face is totally different and has been shown to produce different positive effects on body than by phone or device.
all above is a good reason.. maybe not traveling but the rest are good reasons to get back to normal
But not if it makes the number of cases rise again.
But I don't mind waiting if it saves lives.
Travel to see out of state family.
So locally owned businesses can open
Seeing our kids and grandkids personally. Economically for the country. I'm fortunate to have an income, many aren't.
If Gold Beach and the State of Oregon don't begin opening in early June there will be businesses that will not survive. And I should note that reopening the town doesn't mean people will begin traveling immediately.
All of the items under this section (6) are important.
I have a child.
We need to all take a deep breath and realize that staying home is much safer for everyone than opening up our area to travelers that could/will bring COVID with them and overwhelm our hospital.

COVID19 CITIZEN SURVEY

COMMENTS

QUESTION #10 The fed and state guidelines have a Phased approach (Phase I, II, & III) for re-opening. None of the phases will be a return to pre-virus life. Each phase has recommendations and requirements for businesses and individuals. State guidelines for individual business sectors are being developed at this time and are expected to be available the week of May 4th. In order to get businesses re-opened do feel as a customer/patron that you are willing to adapt to these post virus requirements?

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Masks and social distancing.
I am willing to keep myself and others safe. I dont think the majority of people will be.
not needed
As stated above, I do not intend to re-engage until there is testing, contact tracing, disciplined isolation of identified cases, a vaccine/treatment.
Again, our family will be waiting for vaccines/treatments
No face masks. Altered hours are fine. Distancing was ok, but in my life it did not seem to happen much!
I am most worried about folks from cities/higher risk areas, flooding to the coast and putting us at risk. I feel much safer with a locals opening to start with. YES adhere to all safety suggestions!!
I WILL NOT USE SERVICES, RESTAURANTS OR ANY LARGE GATHERING PLACES IN 2020. ONLY MUST GO PLACES, LIKE GROCERIES, PHARMACY AND BANK. SHELTER IN PLACE 2021.
Better safe than sorry!
We will have to do what is mandated whether we agree or not. That's what we have been doi g anyway. We have no voice or control. Too bad common sense has gone out the window.
They should be mandatory until a vaccine or cure is found.
Yes, but only to help out those the government has shut down.
The comments on FB forums are shocking in the cruelty and danger that citizens of Curry County feel entitled to. Some are already threatening tbat they have and will continue to put anyone at risk. Don't believe in science and have paranoid delusional thinking
I do not see many following CDC recommendations that all wear a mask in public. I do not trust recommendations will be widely followed.
Restuarants and any service industry should where masks, Gloves, and be Covid 19 testing as Mandortory.
I don't think a requirement for face coverings would be a problem for anyone.
What ever we need to do to keep all involved safe
Willing to comply, but I believe some of the guidelines are unnecessary!

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Sometimes, nature must be controlled through sacrifice.
Masks are a minimal expectation.
We all just to act like Monk for awhile... and be germaphobes...
Until an inoculation is developed, I doubt very much my social distancing self will change very much, as I and two members of my immediate hub are high risk.
This comment is actually in response to question 8 as there was no box. I was going to work for the census and had to turn the job offer down when they phoned due to the coronavirus outbreak which had just started. At 62, and with existing health conditions I did not feel it safe to accept. That would have helped our low income household a lot. I cannot work at a regular job. The hiring census manager said they were willing to work with me around the hours per week I felt up to doing so, about 20, on my preferred schedule, which was ideal. For me even 20 hours would mean a lot of fatigue and pain but knowing it would be temporary I'd have pushed through because we could really use the income and it didn't count against received OHP and Oregon Trail benefits we receive. I've been looking for a couple years to find a part-time job that I could actually do based on my health needs and this was the first one that I'd found, so disappointing.
Can't partake in restaurants and bars using masks. Ill people should continue to stay at home. Wearing masks should be optional. W Could have occupation limits for each space.
AGAIN, I PRACTICE FULL COMPLIANCE UNTIL VACCINE PROTECTS ME.
I will definitely be wearing a mask, keeping my distance from people, and using gloves in certain situations, such as grocery shopping.
But this won't work unless everyone participates. All businesses should require masks to be worn by ALL staff and ALL customers. It seems to be a political statement versus the understanding it's a health crisis.
Face coverings should only be worn by the sick and the sick should stay home
I am unsure that travelers or vacationers will respect the recommendations.
We need to do what is necessary to open but keep employees & customers safe.
If this many precautions are still in place businesses need to stay close
This is absolutely ridiculous. We return to "pre-virus" levels during and after every flu season. Government at its best, keeping citizens hands tied.
If your going to expect people to still wear masks and take all this precautions then keep things closed and don't put people at risk.

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How can you eat with a mask on?
Absolutely.
I will follow every rule! I have asthma.
SO in the previous QUESTION NOBODY THOUGHT TO RANK MEDICAL NEEDS AT ALL? SEE why do I not trust this issue to be handled? You don't think our Brookings MEdical Facility being SHUT DOWN was even important enough to discuss? WOW, JUST WOW.
I cannot wear a face mask due to medical reasons
It is about others more than us as individuals. I'm not in a high risk population so I will do what I can.
Even though I feel the requirements are ridiculous I'm willing to do whatever is necessary to get life as back to normal as possible.
Would like to see the recommendations specific to types of areas such as rural, areas with little virus, vs big cities as example.
How can you eat with a mask covering your face?
I'm not about to wear a mask everywhere .. ridiculous
Yes, masks and social distancing.
It might be pretty tough to drink a beer and eat a burger or pizza with a face mask though.
Live free or die. Not all of us are motivated by the fear it takes to tolerate inhaling less oxygen in a mask.
This needs to eventually go back to pre-virus life. I will not abide by having my freedoms (pre-virus) infringed indefinitely. There is precaution and then there is control. Precaution at first but eventually you need to let us be the adults we are and not try to control everything. That is not acceptable.
Physical distancing is fine, masks I'm way less to wear unless they say it's mandatory.
Since I "vote with my wallet" I probably won't go to those businesses that have been so aggressive about "REOPEN NOW!"
Can eat with a face covering on
I feel safe. If this was as crazy as they say, everyone in BiMart, Fred Meyers and Grocery Outlet would have it and 15 of us would be dead.

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Once you start reopening things businesses will need to be vigilant of course. Being in charge of my own behavior I won't be visiting most establishments until I personally feel safe both from my perspective and the perspective of someone who will be traveling for treatment and being exposed more. I would never inadvertently expose someone else because I wanted to dine out.
Still need to practice safety
Businesses should be able to demand customers wear masks (not food service places, obviously), practice safe distancing, and limit numbers of customers, etc. without fear of customers suing and with the ability to require non compliers to leave (like longstanding shoes, no shirt, no service rules).
personal distance is a must. and get masks for the people EVERYONE.../ I have ordered them still WAITING.
The only solution to this virus is to let it run its natural course like the flu every year. The lockdown is killing people. Suicide is spiking, as is crime, and we may never fully recover financially as our country is now 23 Trillion dollars in debt which cannot ever be paid back and we're making it even worse. If the media hadn't hyped this pandemic and if so much misinformation on death rates nobody would have been the wiser and life would be normal. Sure some people, maybe myself at 63 with Asthma might pass away, that's a risk I'm willing to take because almost everyone who gets COVID-19 has mild to normal flu-like symptoms. The cost of lockdown on the lives of Americans and folks around the world is too great. Take a look at Sweden. They didn't do any lockdown and they have already flattened the curve naturally by letting the virus take it's natural course.
I will patronize locally as I normally would, unless I find the restrictions in an establishment too onerous.
How can you eat with a face covering?; I would prefer myself to wait until none is required.
I am already distancing and wearing a mask. I am discouraged that this is not taken seriously by many in Gold Beach yet which gives me little confidence that this will be enforced if we reopen. I would like to see citations of necessary and I hope it isn't necessarym

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<p>On the above priorities, the first sector of the economy that should be reopened is medical and dental facilities. Maybe that isn't being considered part of the economy, but when our hospital is going under, caregivers are being laid off and/or moving out of the area, and you can't schedule routine care such as dental cleanings it should be. Can people seriously think it is more important to get your nails done than have your teeth cleaned? There is a direct link between heart health and dental health for example. That is why I rated "other services" first. Requirements should be tailored to the community. There is no sense in requiring masks when you are the only customer in a store or can easily maintain not just six feet, but probably 10-12 from everyone else, so why make unnecessary rules. You can't eat in a restaurant while wearing a face covering. Altered hours and some level of distancing in stores is fine. Wearing masks and gloves on public transportation with high contact areas might be smart. More hand sanitizing stations would be good. More cleaning staff would be good.</p>
<p>I am happy to see our people and businesses supported. Wearing of masks and distancing is not a big price to pay. Limited hours is also a blessing and not a big inconvenience for us as a community.</p>
<p>I don't think we should reopen anything until there's a vaccine.</p>
<p>While face coverings are only a suggestion. I am of the belief if you are going to enter an establishment providing essential services you should be at least requested to respect the safety of those providing services</p>
<p>As long as there is clear signage at every business (at owners discretion) so you can choose to patronize or not. Especially for tourists. Everyone on the same page</p>
<p>I will continue to wear a face mask and limit my shopping and washing my hands and keeping social distancing. Even when others are not.</p>
<p>How is it possible to open any Restaurant and require patrons to cover their faces? Fewer patrons at a time works. Perhaps staff, no one visibly ill can enter or work.</p>
<p>Not sure how to eat with a face mask if restaurants open to sit down dining</p>
<p>Adjustments must be made. The new normal will look, feel and expand to meet the requirements. Tracking and tracing should be expected.</p>
<p>This is most important in my view. Or we will have to start all over and that would be the end of our economy. We couldn't go through another shut down. If we blow this I feel it will end the possibility of ever returning back to the way it was.</p>
<p>I chose camping/RV as # 3 to re-open - to clarify I feel this should be only for local folks - not tourists.</p>
<p>I'm curious who will monitor and enforce the requirements put on businesses.</p>
<p>If face covering is required, I would rather stay home.</p>
<p>I have difficulty wearing face masks, it restricts my breathing. It also will bring on an anxiety attack.</p>

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Face covers should be mandatory
What will be done to enforce these policies?
WHY! SMH
Distance
If extra measures are required to get our businesses open then fine
you cant eat with your face covered
Will be difficult to go out to eat wearing a mask
Face coverings might impact restaurants, don't you fthink?
Masks cannot be worn to eat and drink. They are for surgeons and for sick people. They probably do more harm than good UNLESS changed or thoroughly sanitized between each interaction with different people.
social distancing and protective wear is important
It would make sense to allow restraunts to open on a lesser occupancy, i.e. if the restraunt has 20 tables, let them open and only use 5 tables spaced apart by a reasonable distance, then they could take reservations every hour for those 5 tables. This should be up to the owner and not the government telling them to do this.
They don't do it now.
If you are unhealthy/sick and immune compromised, they should take precautions always. Not the general healthy public. Businesses needs to clean better.
It will be a little hard to go to a sit down restaurant and eat with a face covering on..
There are some states that are requiring the wearing of face masks when outside (not only when you're in a business). Why do I go to a restaurant where a face mask is required?
In the food industry it should be mandatory to wear gloves and a facemask

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As stated above, I do not intend to re-engage until there is testing, contact tracing, disciplined isolation of identified cases, a vaccine/treatment.
Yes and it delay's being safe with the possible tourism trade dropping off the virus as they travel through, so everyone will still have to be careful with friends family and workers that will have a higher likelihood of picking this up from that interaction. Business needs to reopen but it's a tough call to add the needed tourism to the mix.
Again our view is to hunker down until there is a vaccine
But really want to visit our State Parks, boat launches, rivers, trailheads, and backcountry.
ABSOLUTELY; DON'T TRUST THE GOVERNMENTS RESPONSE OR INFORMATION ON ACTUAL INFECTION RATES AND DEATHS.
I did even before Corona virus
Being a member of the vulnerable group, it's in my best interest to do so. I'll go to work and go home.
I have Lupus and take oral chemo . Am not afraid. I know what to do, this is no different . I have always taken measures that never included wearing a mask and have only been sick once, no flu shot ever!!
It depends on what is open and what stage the virus is at particularly in Curry County. It also depends on my employer having guidelines I feel comfortable with. And what enforcement there is of the new guidelines.
There are a few businesses (retail, restaurant)that I would go to upon reopening, and I would like to resume work. I will probably still limit any frivolous spending/outings.
Will be returning to work (from remote working) in Phase 1.
Because after working my entire life I deserve to have a retirement.. I care about my fellow citizens lives even as they threaten mine. Most troublesome is the fact that these potential killers feel backed up by the elected officials of this county.
My husband has cancer and we can't afford to be ill.
More than past
I am around a lot of high risk people/friends and do not want to risk their health.
We want to feel that restaurants, stores, theaters, lodgings, etc. have implemented all safety guidelines for continued social distancing, sanitizing, proactive monitoring under federal and state requirements.
I am a loner pretty much, but do like to read and socialize in cafes and coffee places. Otherwise, taking walks in parks when they reopen will resume. Glad we presently have beaches to walk on.
ABSOLUTELY. ONLY TRIPS TO MCKAYS @0400 SUNDAY , IN & OUT IN LESS THAN 30 MIN. TO CGH FOR CHEST CT EVERY 6 MONTHS, 0800 APPT. TO DHS TO DROP OFF BOX FOR ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTS TO INSURE BENEFITS. USE PHONE TO TALK W SOCIAL WORKER.

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I will choose very carefully what direct interactions I have, and limit them to the absolute minimum for an indefinite period of time.
Definitely through phase 1, possibly 2 also. not sure after
It is normal for me to stay home
I WILL NOT compromise my safety just to go out and eat a burger in a restaurant - simply because The GOP's PRESIDENT has been eager to re-open with a big "bang." His re-election campaign agenda does NOT mean I'm required to put my LIFE at risk.
No since in being out and at risk if your going to start allowing everyone to come back to the town .
Haven't been staying home as it is. Mass hysteria keeping people scared is what Government, the hate Trump media, and the Commie Democrats are good at.
Similar to the opening of the public itself, I will likely gate my activity to a degree, rather than jump on anything that is open.
Will lay low for a while & watch the statistics of infections. I don't see many people at post office wearing masks except for workers.
We are folks that go to the beach and stay home anyway...we do occasionally eat out, but we can't afford to all the time anyway
I really do understand that businesses need to open again and that people need to get back to work to afford even the basics of living. But let's not kid ourselves that this is going to be done without it respreading the illness to massive numbers of people. We'll point fingers of blame but it won't matter. But then again, if we continue to not test people then we can keep our blind eye and claim it didn't happen. Sudden unexplained deaths will just be the norm in the newspapers. Either this virus is a killer and deserves real facts for our decisions or it is not. We are just half-assing it for appearances now.
Our medical facilities cancelled a lot of procedures I needed. And then left a lot of people hanging as to where did their doctors go???? This is what I need right now mostly. I have done small actual surgeries on myself during this time. I lanced my own finger to relieve it of infection, But the medical is NOT even discussed here in this survey?
Im hoping and needing to go back to work
I will do whatever is necessary to operate my business if I am even able to remain in business.
Somewhere in between.
It depends if lodging is opened up and people from out if the area come to Gold Beach. If so, yes I will be staying home.
Until a vaccine is available I will stay hunkered..
Depends on if the Covid-19 is flattening or increasing.

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Until there is a therapy or a vaccine, I will not be willing to expose myself or others.
I plan on patronizing as many local establishments as possible and will buying a round for everyone in the house at my favorite drinking establishments. I will exercise caution and common sense, but I am going to spend every extra penny I have locally and nowhere else!
Being out once a day never killed anyone this entire situation feels more like house arrest rather than a coordinated response to a biological danger.
See above comments.
We go to the river occasionally and nobody is around..but, even if there is..theres more than enough room for social distancing. Fishermen/women practice social distancing normally so we all have room to fish.
My trust factor is shot. Restaurants and businesses that I used to frequent have been replaced with more trustworthy ones that care more about the health and safety of others.
I would love to take my family out to enjoy our beaches and rivers.
It's way too early. More testing is desperately needed. This community is too fragile, and with the hospital furloughing doctors and making cuts, there is nowhere for a surge of ill people to be treated adequately.
You need to remember we have had only a handful of cases, time to back to some sort of normal. Tourism is what lets many of our small businesses survive. Fishing and logging are slowing. You are going to kill a lot of small business if we do not open soon.
Other than going to the park or beach, will likely not go shopping except for essentials--but that was pretty much how I operated anyway, except for occasionally going out to dinner maybe once a month.
I will support reopened local businesses, but it wouldn't be an all day thing.
that is the smart thing to do.
Curry citizens seem to be a fairly hermitic bunch anyway.
I'm a retired, older widow; my socializing at heavily frequented establishments during normal times is minimal; I hardly ever eat-in at a restaurant; I do enjoy coffee shops but social distancing in those places is easy; I do get my hair styled and nails done at shops but these never have more than one patron at a time.
Will do what I need and want to do, but will mostly stay close to home.
It depends. I will probably spend more time outdoors in local parks and recreational hours when they are re-opened. I would attend an indoor or outdoor church service. I might occasionally visit a restaurant. I might schedule a dental checkup. I might spend some time in a bookstore or library.
life goes on. I will continue living

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Again, not trusting our government;s knowledge or China's secrets behind this virus.
I've never been one to go out just to get out. I'll go back to what's normal for me
I will slowly and cautiously support small local establishments. My parents - dad is disabled veterannon oxygen is living with us so I am using care after going out
I am an artist and will continue doing my work. I sell online and put more emphasis on promoting my online sales. But I won't be opening my gallery for the month of May. After that I will have to see. I am figuring that no one will be allowed in the gallery without a mask and will have to respect safe distancing.
I camp for therapy - I have reservations at Honeyman 5/31 through 6/4. I'm bummed I may not be able to make this trip, however I'm equally, if not more bummed I can't scoot up the Rogue to Quosatana for a weekend unplugged - it's my therapy. I would have camped for my mental health at least once by now if it were an option.
Once reopen begins, I feel that staying home is even more important.
I am 79 years old and live alone with just a small dog so staying at home hasn't been as big of a problem for me as for people who need to work or people with young children who have done a terrific job. I found it interesting how many people were able to work from home. One thing businesses will find is that they have too many employees and that those working from home are doing a terrific job.
Essential worker so I have to go to work...but I will still limit my exposure to the other areas...only shop for groceries and still order food to go. Where I go will depend heavily on how the businesses handle and enforce the new requirements.
I'm going to avoid restaurants, hair salons and most businesses for a time. I'm curious to see if we have a spike in covid in our community and around the country.
I have little trust in the community to abide by policies that would keep us all safe.
I intend to move freely.
I'm going to work and continue living my life
My work schedule hasnt changed as I am deemed essential.
I will play it by ear. I think I can take care of myself pretty wdll.
I plan to go back to my preferred routine, which is mostly at home (I am retired); with going to beach or walking, then hanging out in cafe or coffee shop.

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<p>well since this has affected a lot of what we do... I have no idea what we will end up doing ... it really depends on how long it takes and if we have a spike in cases.. I think that is the biggest fear... we have done so well here with this virus.. I would hate for us to get comfortable and end up with devastating cases that hurt us more than socializing.. :(</p>
<p>Our life has not changed hardly at all, we prefer to be home, we are not "group" people. The size of our retail business in town should not be a concern for others as well. Other than restraunts and the major grocery stores, there are hardly ever 10+ people at one time.</p>
<p>I am a firm believer in my rights as an American Citizen the Bill of Rights is NOT a suggestion.</p>
<p>I don't go out that much I don't go to restaurants I don't go to bars I typically just go to the grocery store and I go to work and I go home I'm most upset that the schools won't be opening</p>

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Grocery stores are full.
Not a Gold Beach resident, I live in Brookings. I would worry about the same in Brookings.
resources have all but been destroyed unnecessarily and will take a long time to recover
I live in Brookings. So far, my experience using Fred Meyer's click list has been very good. My only concern there is that we have no policy requiring shoppers to wear masks in the store.
I've had to travel to Brookings after 3 months because I still cannot get supply's locally. There is STILL no spray sanitizers or wipes or isopropyl alcohol available at the stores. How do we continue to shop or interact without the ability to disinfect properly.
We live in Brookings but I heard the City of Gold Beach present at the April 22 BIC meeting re concern about stock at grocery stores. If I recall Paasch advised her to shop at Costco - they deliver
Still no sanitation wipes, hand sanitizers, common grocery items like powdered milk, etc. And also too crowded for safe shopping just with locals.
Good point. It might be good to check the supply chain for groceries, drugs, and essential supplies. Do we have e enough face masks for everyone to use one?
No dish soap, hand soap, lysol, paper towels or tp!
Except Tp. The whole nation will be running out of as lot of stuff so not worried about tourist. Rv usually stocks up before trips, usually need beer from here. Majority hotel guests go to restaurants!!!
Not enough toilet paper
They can't fill a COMPLETE order at McKay's now.
There are some things missing, but if we ahve to go without then I guess so do the tourists.
Why don't you ask the stores? They would have the most accurate answer. Dumb question since the general public would only have anecdotal info in regards to this question.
Not now, we sure don't.
At the market on 4/28 they said they were having a hard time with stocking basic items such as rice beans and other staples
Limited
I believe they will soon.
I've been using curbside pickup.
If local stores are unable to keep up, either a boost to their "buying Power" needs to be looked at, or since travel restrictions are eased we will have to travel, I.E. Crescent City, Coos Bay, or the I5 corridor.

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<p>The shelves are absolutely devoid of most paper products and, of course, TP. I have not seen a bottle of hand sanitizer or disinfectant other than bleach in over a month in any store in town. Staples such as rice, beans, flour, etc are limited to 1 item per person.</p>
<p>Our local stores and woefully under-stocked. Toilet paper! Now there is a threat to the food supply chain nationally regarding meat processing, so this will likely trigger more hoarding of all types by those who have the means.</p>
<p>They aren't even stocked for the local people that are here. It's been weeks since we had products in the store that we normally buy. Tourists will only make this worse. The local economy should be opened up for locals before it's opened up for tourists. we shouldn't open for tourists until we actually have products in our grocery store.</p>
<p>We can't keep up the demand to locals yet.</p>
<p>But I have not been to a store in weeks, just what I hear they are pretty empty on staples.</p>
<p>The stores seems to be holding there own except for the TP situation (ridiculous). I still think there should be limits on high demand items so nobody can take advantage.</p>
<p>Not even remotely close to adequate.</p>
<p>Shelves are still depleted of basic items. I would hope by May, hoarders would feel silly and stocks will be replenished.</p>
<p>We've seen over and over again out of state people coming to Curry and wiping out supplies meant for our citizens. Do you think it won't happen again with any phase?</p>
<p>Thanks to the mass hysteria the whole supply chain has been disrupted. Thanks Government assholes.</p>
<p>As we contemplate reopening provider locations are also looking to these things. The question becomes, will supply ramp up at the same rate as demand in that scenario? It is unlikely, so I suspect we will see a shortage on various items.</p>
<p>No they show up here and buy us out especially during this.</p>
<p>Hard to find some items now. I cook/bake a lot but when I see the can goods shelves almost empty that is scary.</p>
<p>Not at all, there is much less stock than usual and we still have been Unable to get toilet paper</p>
<p>No no no! I can't even get the basics as is...crazy</p>
<p>No! There's still empty shelves right now and until our locals get their feet under them we shouldn't think about opening for tourists. All that will do will cause another huge round of panic buying bc people aren't thinking straight.</p>
<p>Our stores have been getting hit hard by California's population coming across the boarder to buy out all the grocery's. Our stores are small and can not keep up with people hording stuff.</p>

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I haven't seen toilet paper or bleach at McKays since this day this started. And we get notices that people are putting strange things down the toilets which is causing a problem at the water district. So if the locals can't get toilet paper how can we provide for tourists?
Because of the binge buyers it has caused a hardship for getting in paper products, so that part is in jeopardy for us all
Again, some shelves are empty now and have been since this began. Increased tourism is not going to help that situation.
Tourist season should not start until the grocery stores supply has outpaced demand and the stores aren't limiting quantities of products.
The shelves are not staying stocked very well
Not currently, but I believe that can change in a matter of a few weeks.
We still have tons of empty shelves
Until you can ensure supplies of TP, Paper towels, and sanitizing supplies can remain in the shelf - limit daily purchases allowed - whatever it takes - but we need to get the supplies back and available first.
Early on a woman in a motor home went into Ray's (GB) and bought all the TP and brazenly said she was stopping at each store up the coast and taking it to Washington...to sell.
Good Beach or Brookings. People are still panic buying. Once the economy is opened, then farmers will have somewhere to sell their products and it won't go to waste.
I haven't been in the markets in a month so I have no idea what it looks like. Please speak with the managers of the stores about this. Again, coordinated efforts.
Lots of house hold staples are running out at grocery stores already with just the locals & many don't have the option to order online for numerous reasons
We dont have enough supplies as is right now
Always have and this year there will be less tourist activity. Use common sense.
Letting people from out of town in is going to do more damage than good right now. We can't even get the products and services we need but we are going to open up to outsiders and put them before us? No.
The stores are doing their best, but they are low on some supplies, how can we maintain for the Summer...
I can't see letting tourism take place without having the grocery stores fully stocked and the ability to purchase a surgical or N-95 mask by those who are vulnerable. Because others don't think they need to wear masks to protect others, those who are vulnerable need masks that will protect themselves.

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Still no toilet paper, Kleenex, hand wipes, hand sanitizer, disinfecting products, etc. Stores can not handle visitors buying up more of our stuff.
There is alot of cases down in California keep those people down there for now. and keep washington up there we don't need there viruses up here. we are doing pretty good on keeping it contained as for the time being, but that could change it only takes a couple people coming into this county to screw everything up.
This lockdown will have far reaching implications for Gold Beach. We should have never done it in the first case.
Being seasonal, winter orders for our stores are less than summer. Speaking to store staff, even our winter orders and being fully met. I go to the store often, and see less and less product in what Ms. Fritts called the inner aisles. More open spaces all the time. Meats have been ok, so far, but 13 national meat processing plants have closed in the last week. Chicken processors are following.
Item specific.
Not right now. As of Thursday morning the shelves were still empty of Toilet Paper, Kleenix, Napkins, antibacterial soap, dishwashing soap, alcohol. hydrogen peroxide, Bleach, Disinfectant wipes, Yeast, and food items including dry goods, pet food, refrigerated juices, frozen goods, and cereals have been in short supply or completely unavailable at times. Stocking is probably about 60% or less for almost any item.
Stocks of many things are inadequate now!!!
People seem to shop in a panic mode.
Appears they are at the mercy of their suppliers and we are at the mercy of fear driven hoarding that still continues.
I don't think we should reopen anything until there's a vaccine.
We are such a small community that I believe our supply can maintain itself for a bit, however, it will be strained as less food may be available as this pandemic continues and if our supply does decrease all at once, due to tourism, then it will take longer for us to re-stock, etc.
I live in Port Orford and Ray's has been great, both in sanitizing and distancing.
I don't feel that local supermarkets are able to provide adequate stock to local citizens currently and the addition of tourists will not benefit individuals.
For Brookings no
Absolutely not. Shelves are empty in both stores
We can barely provide for the citizens of our town. Let alone those who come here to vacation and through shelter programs.
Except for toilet paper.

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Port Orford's business has always suffered from our location. The bulk of visitors stop in Gold Beach coming north and stop in Bandon going south. Port Orford is in the frontier almost. But it has been an advantage in the case of the virus. I feel we have a lot less people to deal so our market has not been affected much yet. But I can see that there is already a problem all around us.
Except paper products, sanitizers
I live in Brookings, there is plenty. Seasonal residents (snowbirds) should be able to come here, like normal.
Was informed that one of the markets is now able to purchase from 2 distributors. Maybe be a challenge and stores should put protections from hoarding.
No- Gold Beach hasn't had enough throughout this whole event. I haven't been able to buy toilet paper here in over a month. Staples were not available here. We were told not to panic buy, so I didn't and then products and food items were gone. I tried to preorder, but that was cancelled more than once when expected items were not delivered to the store. That created a need to travel to Brookings, along with everyone else. We were all required to leave our community or go without. Those who left GB put everyone here at risk to exposure upon return. The decision/need to leave also put the other community at risk too...since no one knows where the cases are. During the shortages, we did not have the information required to make an informed decision.
But not for paper products
Regarding testing. I see no value to it other than to find out if you have the virus if you have all the symptoms needed to qualify for a test in the first place. You can test negative one day, positive the next day needing quarantine, then testing negative again. Tests are only good for the day they are given and there have been too many that are not accurate and a waste of time and money. I see that it is now easier to get tested however and everyone who has had contact with someone tested positive or with all the symptoms should be tested.
I don't think the issue is tourists it's a store issue.
We haven't been adequately stocked since spring break. When tourists came to our coast, regardless of the Stay Home order in effect. They wiped our stores clean, in fact, they continued traveling down the coast to grab whatever food still available.
There have been no public information statements from the grocery store managers regarding the supply chain issues. I am guessing they do not know either. Some grocery stores in the valley are still experiencing shortages in some items. I think the perception of food shortages is a subject that needs to be fully addressed.
At lot of our shelves are empty now.
Keep limits on certain items
Not at all!!! I still have not purchased hand sanitizer, lysol spray and am needing TP...
They're getting better as panic reduces.

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The supply lines are still having problems. Perhaps there won't be a change with TL opening, since there is already a lot of people from out of county still shopping here.
NO our shelves are bare...
There is already a shortage of items because people are buying more than they normally would and if we open up people are going to stick up more because they are afraid again that there will not be enough supplies to go around.
I'm even more concerned about the transmission of COVID19 to Gold Beach.
The shelves are pretty bare now without tourists.
As I mentioned in a previous comment... I am fearful that as folks begin traveling that GB will be subject to a greater infection risk. I am also fearful that supply chain problems will not be resolved in a way that allows our community to obtain the products they need for daily living. We are currently closed and cannot get with regularity some grocery store products. Hooked to that are prices that seem to go up daily!
That's an adamant no! Grocery aisles have large empty gaps and little to no paper products for locals let alone incoming tourists.
Damn TP horders need their heads examined

COVID19 CITIZEN SURVEY

COMMENTS

QUESTION #15 If you are a front-line worker—those individuals that interact directly with the public—do you feel prepared to return to work as the restrictions begin to be lifted? What are your specific concerns about returning to work?

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Yes
I don't feel prepared to return to work because many of my coworkers downplay COVID-19, and some of them think it's a conspiracy.
I am a necessary worker and have continued to work during the pandemic.
no concerns
Retired
I am not a front line worker. My concern for front line workers, as stated above, is that there is no requirement for the public to wear masks in our large grocery stores here in Brookings.
I work at the Visitor Center and fear the first-through-the-door tourists will be worst (non-believers and no concern for others).
AirBnB host. And no. We will be shut down until there is a vaccine.
Dying
YES, no concerns
N/A
Retired
Bad decisions by the CEO...again.
I work with the public. They expect me to be there and they do a half arse job at any protocols. Let's open up, people need to work and I want to go out to eat, visit, be with my community!
Yes
No. I don't think I should have to put my life in someone else's hands and trust they are being cautious
Interacting closely with co-workers and the public (less than six feet). Having to handle/touch things all day long that were recently touched/handled by others, all day.
Hygiene
People wanting to return to previous "normal" interactions, and not wanting to wear face coverings or maintain personal hygiene.
No. I worry about bringing the virus home to my vulnerable daughter.
CLOSE PERSONAL CONTACT WITH STRANGERS
Influx of tourists and wondering if they will be following safe guidelines themselves - this makes me uncomfortable about returning to work.
No. Catch virus.
PPE and mask requirement must be enforced
Safety and spreading the virus

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Though we have low cases recorded in Curry County, the concern is that visitors may change this if opened too soon
yes
none
Not having the funds to reopen
I'm prepared but my employer and some I work with are not. Tourists are not following guidelines either. There is no easy way of handling money/credit cards. Gold Beach is a tourist-based economy with an older population At risk.
As I bartender/cook, I am confident in my ability to maintain cleanliness in my work environment. What concerns me, is that others will not continue to practice social distancing. Also, if people can be asymptomatic, I worry about contamination of the work environment and a spike in cases.
N/A
Yes
I am essential & have continued to work, albeit with a 20% pay cut. For others, I see residents ineffectively attempting to protect themselves (using gloves wrong, for example). There are so many that use social media, rife with repeated misinformation & inaccuracies, as their primary source of "facts". This alone, is frightening.
Curry General is grossly unprepared for a spike in COVID cases.
I feel I can keep myself safe. I will continue to wear a mask and constantly wash and sanitize my hands.
I'm prepared but worried about an increase in tourists.
Others not being safe
N/A
Not frontline
n/a
N/A
Yes
NOT APPLICABLE
Retired
N/A
Not sure
No, I do not feel prepared. I don't feel as though everyone is taking the same precautions as I am, which means my health is in their hands and I don't trust that, considering a large portion of our population thinks this pandemic is being blown out of proportion.

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Sanitation in the public areas. McKays, Rays, Corner Drug.
My main concern is that hotel owners most likely reside out of the city and do not take into consideration community health
n/a
Those that know they are sick, going out..
ABSOLUTELY NOT - and I'll protect myself and my rights until it is safe to do so. Inability for ALL to respect social distancing rules are a HUGE concern.
I am at work daily now.
Spike in new cases
Not one bit. I don't feel safe having to go back to a job where I interact with the public and tourists nonstop it's not fair!
Lack of Community understanding and way to much made up news. Our County is very stupid.. They do not understand how to protect themselves, nor do they care about the others they will infect
Mr concern is my having to deal with idiots that can't follow current restrictions, they're not suddenly going to follow any phase, putting myself and my family at risk AGAIN! Kind of sounds like the definitions of insanity don't you think?
None, I plan on helping the weak ones in our community get some thicker skin. Especially our inept weak City leaders (aside from John Ward)
NA
I am a front-line worker. Our contact with the public phased out similar to the restrictions placed. I continue to work, though under different conditions. It is unlikely that business will return to how it was done before, and this has proven what does and doesn't work for reduced contact activities. My employer, I believe, has taken note of these things and will make good decisions. I cannot say the same for others.
Not at all ! I don't want to be around the public as I have no idea where they've been if they have taken the stay at home order seriously and not to mention the amount of tourists coming here if restrictions are lifted. 3/4 the people I feel with are tourists from our if they area at my job. You open it back up and you run the risk of developing a lot matt cases here
People having the virus and not knowing it and infecting myself, co-workers, and ultimately family I live with.
Does not apply to me.
Yes
I'm already doing this and take precautions, I'm concerned about alll the tourists flocking back in
I work in the hospital meaning more 50%higher probability for a helathcare worker to get it than for a stay @home mom .

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Buisness maintaining employee and customer safety instead of profit
They are already at extreme risk with so many surfaces and sick people that are not tested constantly interacting with them. True safety would have them suited like hospital employees and gathering ordered groceries for curb-side delivery.
I am retired so not concerned for myself, But for all of these workers who in many circumstances Especially in the medical field were here working to HELP my life go easier. I have lost MY extended family of fabulous friends.
Having enough face masks and gloves
N/a
Still working
PPE Sanitizing & exposure
Unsure
Meeting someone who is carrying Covid 19 or spreading it myself.
Community outrage fueled by false information and rumors
Na
Increased patient needs in our ED beyond the current capabilities. Limited staff... what happens if current staff is out sick for a long period of time?
No concerns
I am a frontline worker, not to concerned because I plan on being diligent of washing hands, using disenfectants and keeping safe distance
People should respect others space and continue to follow CDC guidelines
I'm not concerned. I follow precautionary measures strictly.
No. I am a hairstylist. Some of the requirements that other states have proposed for reopening salons such as changing my clothes for every client, both client and myself wearing gloves, masks, will make it extremely difficult to do my job. My bank accounts are basically depleted already and I can't afford to by any of the necessary supplies. Not that I've received any yet but if salons were to be able to open, and I couldn't because I can't afford the precautionary equipment, I won't qualify for any help and I'm afraid I'll go bankrupt.
N/A
No concerns.
Yes. Panic
Yes
Masks or face coverings must be mandatory for all employees and customers.
I wear a mask when I interact with the public but find that an alarming number of people do not. I'm protecting them... who's protecting me? In our town, hospital employees not masking. Appalling.

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It can't happen soon enough. Trust that nearly all individuals will excersize reason and common sense.
N/A
N/A
Vacation rental owner — I have sanitizing supplies and would require three days between guests.
I've never stopped working - I've been required/able to work in my line of employment. Good bad or indifferent, wasn't an option for me to stay home. I've survived as have those I am in contact with.
I have no conserns as I am working and can social distance
n/a
I feel frightened because I would be interacting directly with the tourists from highly impacted areas.
I'm working already Stay extra careful and move on
I'm concerned about all the tourist that will come here. If the virus starts spreading at a faster rate then we will have to shut down and start over. I believe it's better to wait until the threat is over then risk starting over and being shut down even longer.
C19
I never left work. I feel safe.
I am semi front line worker. My concern is whether the guidelines of space and cleanliness will be adhered to by everyone else. How do we protect ourselves from people who still don't take this seriously?
People that don't care about the cause and effect of there actions because they are just vacationing here
Not at all. I clean vacation rentals and live with my elderly mother and immune compromised older brother. Im terrified of bringing this virus home.
Social distance, spread of virus
The lack of testing has not shown us the intensity of asymptomatic people still out there.
dna
I am a housekeeper. I do not at all feel comfortable returning to work. I can only imagine how other dealing with direct contact feel. I only have to clean up after them and I feel completely not safe.
Yes as we are going to create more deaths with a failed economy.
Not applicable
I am currently working. We are taking EVERY precaution necessary, including keeping people physically out of our establishment and only allowing pickup from their vehicles.
None at this time. Because I have been working regularly, plus several days at home.
Yes, none.
Yes

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I was very uncomfortable before being laid off because my spouse is 90% disabled--it's not so much about me, but bringing something home to him. Employers should still allow telecommuting whenever it's possible.
None
N/A
does not apply
NA
None
Nope
Yes
I am in a professional field. I would take extra precautions to clean and sanitize doors and be mindful of other contact issues. Most services can be provided without personal contact.
I'm prepared. I have no concerns
I'm prepared
Yes. My husband is a pastor and a chaplain and we are looking forward to getting back to serving our community. We will continue to be hyper careful about disinfecting and safe protocols as we live in a community and are surrounded by other communities which are made up of a large percentage of seniors.
Retiring!
Not enough protection
No! My husband and I are bartenders and wish to keep drawing unemployment and CARES Act until we can get vaccinated and go back to work at that time.
Blatant ignorance, and purposeful disobedience
out of town folks that haven't been screened. I have only let locals into my business during the past month
People's disregard for the safety and health of others. People don't care if they get someone sick if it benefits them!
People not from Curry County
I will continue to safely check guests into my motel through a small window and wear my face mask. Until my boss tells me I have to change habits.
No. Not enough PPE and no training or protocols are available
Maintain current protocol
I am a teacher so all the homes come together in one classroom. We are in the same storm, but different boats.

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Yes. Not enough PPE
I have a nail and hair salon and plan on having clients wear masks when possible and sanitizer available and a plexiglass window between me and my clients while doing nails.
Direct contact with consumers
I feel awkward serving the elderly and medically fragile since it is dangerous for them, and they should be social distancing. yet I don't think it's right or practical to pick and choose my customers. It's awkward, so maybe I shouldn't go back to work at all?
Lack of testing in Curry as a whole. As of the last update we are at 0.006% tests completed in Curry County. This is not a sufficient number of tests imo.
I believe so. My work requires entering peoples homes for hours. I have always tried to practice health safety even if only worried about colds.
No- I am able to work from home most of the time, but there are instances when I must go in to homes throughout the county. People have to trust that I'm taking proper precautions in my personal life, and I have to trust them. If there are additional exposures from people coming in from other counties or states, out exposure risk skyrockets.
Yes. Nurse here, worried about PPE and a spike in new cases.
N/A
Resurge
All the answers I stated above.
No
Infection without needed resources
None
As a teacher, not willing to go back into a school classroom setting that is so dangerous and involves children.
No, we need adequate testing in our area.
Everyone should be ordered to wear a mask to protect workers. All businesses should adapt the no shirt no shoes no service, but with masks. The restaurants should only seat people every other table or take table out
Masks should be mandatory for everyone. Fines if they don't abide.
N/A
Never stopped working
Yes
Essential employee.
No, I do not feel prepared, since I am at increased risk due to my health I still feel my interaction with the public should be restricted if I return to work full time.

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I'm not worried
While I trust myself to practice social distance and guideline , I don't trust those who don't take guidelines seriously.
I think we should open everything to the locals
already working
Commingling with outsiders bringing in potential virus
None
Yes
Ring around too many people. Getting the virus.
N/A
being self employed my fear is that every one will go out of town to shop... and those of us who depend on local support will be left with no one buying out items.
Safeguards and PPE until a vaccine is in place
NA
I feel prepared. My occupation has strict guidelines/policies to follow.
N/A
Yes. No concerns.
Influx in lobby/foot traffic in a small area. Then creating new ways to maintain 6ft rule and increase my staff (who the majority currently are working from home) to ensure being able to properly sanitize the lobby and public restrooms as well as monitor 6ft rule. My business is specific to elderly patrons for financial and service benefits. This creating a greater risk to an already vulnerable population and my staff.
I have continued to work throughout this.
Contracting the disease
Persons getting in my space that don't take social distancing as seriously as myself
Have been working the whole time
No. Locals and tourists who don't take this seriously and don't follow protocols.
n/a
I am not a front line worker
Yes, returning to work. Biggest concern is; Some people do not follow guidelines no matter what.

COVID19 CITIZEN SURVEY COMMENTS

QUESTION #16 As citizens and consumers do you feel we do/do not have a responsibility to help ensure the safety of front-line workers?

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Front-line workers are incredibly valuable to our way of life.
To an extent. The business has the responsibility to implement safety measures as indicated for the business type. Socially, we should maintain social distancing.
You may wish to rephrase this questions -- We as citizens *are* responsible to help protect them. There really should be a policy in place requiring the wearing of masks. This is basic human decency.
although personal responsibility should play the major role.
I do feel a responsibility - they are us. Our market employees are subjected to non-mask wearing locals and it will only be worse with the influx of visitors.
Priority #1! We are staying home out of concern that our healthcare and grocery workers and infrastructure will become overwhelmed. We think it is a mistake to allow non-essential visitors into the County. In my experience as a host, many come from virus epicenters and our infection rates will spike. (Iceland, who have tested the most, have discovered 50% of those infected are asymptomatic). We cannot handle this.
I feel that there should be guidelines in place and people should be allowed to follow those if they feel it is appropriate. Business owners should be free to enforce minimum requirements as they see fit.
We absolutely have that responsibility
Without frontline workers, what do you have...
I work in the financial industry. Nobody cares about me! They expect me to be at work and deposit their checks, get them cash. The community does very little to think about us and all of our VERY DIRTY money! Open up and let's get on with life.
We best be appreciative of their sacrifice and putting themselves and their families at risk, to serve us and take care of our needs. Without them, we'd be in left in the dark with nothing! Literally!
This is a poorly worded question. We DO have a responsibility to help ensure the safety of front-line workers, and everyone else.
WE MUST ENSURE THEIR SAFETY
We do have that responsibility, without a doubt.
Question does not make sense do/don't if I say yes answering both ways "do " and "do not "
A bit overkill already. Just wash your hands and do t go in public if you r sick. Again, common. Sense and consideration.
The question is too misleading we should I protect them
???
We absolutely have a responsibility to ensure safety to everyone in our community
Do
we do
Yes we should help provide masks and sanitizing options

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I feel we have a responsibility as in we need to protect ourselves, in order to protect them.
I am much more of a take care of yourself, and expect others to do the same. If you have to, or want to, interact with people at risk then take that into consideration.
City officials need to assist businesses in setting up safety protocols.
Personal responsibility yes. Being responsible for others behavior "hell no"! Not sure exactly why this question is on here???
We all need to responsible and do our part
We have responsibility, The question doesn't make since to me as written.
Do.
Poorly worded question, we do have a responsibility, but evidence is showing good personal hygiene habits, and precautions are paramount to this response.
We as a community have always valued our first responders... I expect that to continue. When this id all over lets through a banquet at the fairgrounds for first rsponders and health care workers :)
They should wear masks and gloves, as should we plus stay safely distant.
My responsibility is to stay home when ill. My
NO EXCEPTIONS.
This same group should be tested, because at least 25% of Covid-19 positive cases are totally asymptomatic, and since front-line workers interact directly with the public, it only seems logical to test this group.
I feel everyone has a responsibility to stay at home if they're sick if that's what you mean. A healthy person wearing mask or gloves does not protect front line staff.
It's difficult because not everyone feels this way. So how do we ensure their safety?
We should all have that responsibility.
We ALL HAVE THAT RESPONSIBILITY - but specific age-groups simply will NOT COMPLY - which re-sets the 14 day time clock every time social distancing rules are broken and an infection can again occur.
Keep them safe don't allow people here from outside the area end of story!
Yes We do.. What a Stupid Question!
Why are only front line employees considered? Do you think being called a "non-essential" employee doesn't effect that employees spirit and self worth, also tells that employee exactly what their employer see as their value in the workplace!
Just stay out of the way please.
It takes a village...
We most definitely do and need to keep tourists away during this time.

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We must protect those of us that still have to work.
That went out the window by many decisions made from Curry General....GGGGRRRR.
If we want to Keep Gold Beach alive, we need to help each other no matter where we work , Gold Beach is so small, we all are front line workers
Confusing wording of question. We should require masks to enter grocery stores for the safety of all.
Businesses should provide for their employees.
I am an ED RN, concerned about this daily
People who are concerned for their health should take the necessary precautions (i.e. stay home, continue to shelter in place, wear masks etc).
If we look for the posted info as we walk into a business and abide by what the business are asking the public to do, that will make it better for us all, unfortunately there will be those that have no respect for others, but those will have to be dealt with as best as possible
We do
We are responsible for our own safety but employers should accommodate and help meet those needs
They must have PPE available at ALL times.
Absolutely we all have that responsibility.
We owe them everything, a hell of a lot more than most politicians and millionaire or billionaire CEOs. Genuinely, if not nationally, shouldn't we, at least locally, be celebrating "Essential Worker's Day"?? A parade, celebration, festival, etc.? AND, that should happen this year!
We need to protect them
But not at the detriment to society. They chose the fields knowing the risks.
Yes we have responsibility
yes we do !!!!! otherwise there will be no one to take care of us
Enforcing it would be the problem
It's always nice to be thought of. :-)
Absolutely. We should always protect the people who serve and protect us. Firefighters are fed and cared for during a wildfire, same rules apply here.
Yes the responsibility falls on our city & county officials to make a Decision that is safest for the community as a whole
If they MUST work, PROTECT THEM AT ALL COSTS!
Who is "we" in that sentence? The public or Gold Beach officials?
Absolutely have a responsibility to them. They are what is keeping us going with as close to normal life as possible.

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We do have a responsibility for their safety
PPE and other guidelines, reduced persons in stores, restaurants.
Do have
How can we not? Without us, who is going to take care of the others? We are out here putting ourselves in danger to serve others. If you put us at risk and something happens to us, there are NO more of our services. Pretty simple to figure out.
I would require masks on customers that enter essential businesses.
We do need to do our part
we need to make sure we are doing EVERYTHING we possible can to keep people safe but exspecially the frontline workers. they are the back bone of the help.
We do have a responsibility
I agree we should do our best to protect the vulnerable, elderly and sick, and we should isolate those with the disease, but everyone else should just live their lives.
We are totally responsible for ourselves and others in this battle as we are voluntarily part of a community, and that's just what we do!
why? If they feel threatened then they should stay home and let a willing person have that job
I don't think we should reopen anything until there's a vaccine.
we must help them
ABSOLUTELY DO!!!! They are the people who are risking their own health as well as their families to keep us going. We should help them in ANY way we can.
Yes, we do have the responsibility to help ensure the safety of front line workers and that interact with the public.
I'm not sure of any circumstance where the safety of front line individuals should not be a priority for citizens
With signage upon entering at the discretion of owners and Chains at States regulations. Your choice to patronize. Everyone on the same page
Your first concern as our city leaders should be our safety. You should also ensure during these uncertain times that we, the public citizens, are getting the supplies ie. Food and support to continue our battle against covid-19.
We do have a responsibility.
Be responsible, be a good neighbor. Don't expose others when you are ill.
We absolutely DO have a responsibility if we want them to continue working.
We all have a responsibility to keep everyone safe.
We do have a responsibility

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I feel that face masks and social distancing will be the new normal for a couple of years possibly. If say a restaurant doesn't make everyone wear a mask than a lot of folks that do wear them won't support that business. Wearing masks is to protect those around us and doesn't really protect the wearer that much. It will be a matter of respect for others.
Poorly worded question. Yes = I do feel a responsibility.
Of course. There needs to be more wearing of face masks.
One of a municipality's first responsibilities to its citizens is public safety. It appears a bit fuzzy in this case where the City's responsibility begins and ends as it relates to COVID-19 and the protection of frontline employees that are not City employees. Employers carry the heaviest burden of enforcement of physical distancing and the use of PPE.
We DO have a responsibility
Not all up to have the governing bodies take all the burden.
Absolutely!
And I think if they get the COVID virus while working workman's comp should pay all and get full pay while out.
We must do as much as possible to ensure their safety.
We do..
That is why I choose to wear a mask, to protect those in whom I come in contact.
We have a responsibility to front line workers and each individual in the community. We are all responsible for protecting each other!
Yes Out of respect to the people working the frontlines we should be wearing masks to protect them. People need to understand it's not to protect yourself but it's to protect the people that do not have a choice and are having to be in the public working.
I feel we do.
Hospital/Clinic workers should be provided those "tools." Any other occupation, it should be the responsibility of the worker or choice of their employer to provide such things.
We definitely need to protect these front line workers.
Their employer has a responsibility
We all have to be responsible
have no problem with precautions being taken at our local stores
We are meeting it.
Sick people need to stay home, except to see health care after making an appointment. The overuse of constant toxic cleaners in grocery stores, etc, might be harming the workers and compromising THEIR immune systems. It is better IMO for each of us to wash our hands and face when we return home, or before and after eating out.
we do need to help ensure the safety of our front line workers

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Check the wording of your question. Yes we have a responsibility to take care of the people who take care of us.
The corporations and small business' need to take care of their own workers. With that being said, it's our duty as consumers and citizens to make sure the businesses are taking care if their workers. Not everyone can stand up for themselves. Large corporations have made tons of money and can afford it.
Responsibility of safety goes both ways. It is an equal responsibility.
We do have a responsibility to ensure their safety.
Citizens have an absolute responsibility to ensure the safety of front-line workers. Whether they feel that responsibility is another question. Whether they know what that responsibility entails is another question. Some will undoubtedly feel they are being responsible when they are not.
We do
Like the old saying goes, "whatever floats your boat as long as it doesn't sink mine"
It is definitely our responsibility to help maintain their safety
We all should be responsible people and take care and protect each other.

COVID19 CITIZEN SURVEY COMMENTS

QUESTION #17 What percentage of capacity do you feel is safe for our local restaurants to re-open with?

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50%
65
15%
25%, to start with a gradual increase
50%
50%
Depends on their restaurant size & spacing currently 50% ish????
50
50%
100%
10 people
60
phased in: start at 5%
Depends on the situation/set up. Some could house 50% and not put people close, some would need much fewer. I think distancing guidelines are more important. Barnacle Bistro versus Sunset Pizza for example.
75
50
50% Spinners none of that hallway seating
Why would this be based on my "feel"? My feelings won't change the science/reality. Doesn't the physical space and layout of the restaurant matter (i.e. the actual distance between patrons) affect the safety the most?
40%
Start at 10%
Don't care
50%
50%
50
75%
30%
Less than 10% of normal seating
25%
25% - but I also know that is not enough patronage to make their business a going concern. That's why I think opening should happen when we're more sure the virus is contained.
100%
Start with 50%
25%

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100% is my preference. But, 75% if we have to adjust.
75
Zero at this time
40%
75
20%
10%
50% Outside seating options would be appreciated. Sheltered and covered.
50%
50% with improved air ventilation.
I don't see how any opening is safe for the workers. They will have close contact regardless of restaurant capacity.
25% FOR 3 MONTHS; THEN 50% IF NO OUTBREAK OR SPIKE; 75% JAN 1 2021, THEN 100% ONCE VACCINE/TREATMENT IS AVAILABLE
Seems like most restaurants have spacing between tables already, so 75% should do it.
30%
50%
Something like " every other table" , maybe 50%.
25%
100
1% Or 1 at a time.
100 normal
20%
50 per cent reason able for distancing . Hand sanitizer available at tables. I dont think people going out to eat are as fearful, I will be dining out asap.
50
Continue orders to go
10
75%
75%
Our restaurants widely differ in their "in dining" capacity, that I can not gove an accurate %
50
50-60%
75%
50%
100% restaurants are far cleaner and safer than grocery stores in regard to covid19. Grocery stores get more people in a day than the restaurants around here get in a month

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50
Depends on their layout but 50% or less
25% or less to start. Some businesses have floor plans that would make it very difficult to maintain 6ft distance.
50%
100
Whatever will provide safe distancing.
depends on square footage
None We should follow the California example and have resturants provide meals.
100%
25#, although that would depend on the size and configuration of the physical space. A percentage cant be a one-size fits all.
50%
50 with good sanitation and distancing practices. I worry more about the workers
25
50%
50
50%
10
30
40%
0%
79%
75%
Depends on the square footage. 6' spacing between tables at minimum.
1/3
Maybe 50% but without more local testing it"s a moot point
75
I think it will vary by the business... but as a general rule 50%
20%
can't say it is about distancing and sanitation. turn over is important so people should hangout and prevent turn over
50% capacity, sufficient spacing between tables, servers wear masks and gloves.
50
50%
Tables at least six feet apart. Staggered reservation times would help as well instead of just allow people walking in off the street without one.
50%

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75%
10
SQUARE FOOTAGE OF SEATING AREA/WAITING AREA WOULD DETERMINE THIS. 90% OF GOLD BEACH EATERIES DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT ROOM TO BE PROFITABLE AND BE IN COMPLIANCE W REGS.
50% or less of capacity
25-50
50
10%
I like the take out option best.
50%
50%
no knowledge. no opinion. i wont be dining-in
Whatever percentage allows for no less than 6 feet between patrons. So that people are able to be scooted back to leave and still have distance from another doing the same thing.
50
25%
Honestly depends on the size of the restaurant. Sunset could safely handle 50% of normal seating. La Casita Del Oro could safely handle 25% at most.
66%-75%
Whatever 6' means
I say start at 40-50%, evaluate, increase if still ok
60
extended space of the safe distancing rule
25%
25% is barely safe and plenty greedy enough.
50
50%
30%
50
50%
social distancing spacing
tables at least 6' apart...my concern are the employees contact with the diners, sanitation procedures...
50%
Only continue to do take out or delivery
100
50
50%

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Determined by space. Tables need to be distanced according to recommendations.
0%
0%
100!!!!
50%
100%
Seating percentages is not the numeric I would look to for what is safe. Distancing is important, but restaurants are places that create longer activity in a closed and specific environment. If COVID stay in the air, is it affected by ventilation does that move between tables? You can wipe down places to become sanitized, but it might be difficult to do that in other aspects.
50%
Take out only!
75%
50%
75%
100
50 or less to start.
25-40%.
50%
50
50
50%
50 percent
25% keeping 6 feet distance and workers mask and maintain cleanliness in dining settings
50%
50%
50%
Percentage irrelevant, the spacing of 6-10 feet needs to be the focus. You cannot wear a mask and eat. Any cough could infect the neighboring tables and therefore all surfaces, even the floor needs sanitized after every customer. The plates etc need immediately washed and their leftover food disposed in a sealed environment.
They can do this.
100% safe
50% seating, this way you can keep a table between customers
50%
50%
50
0
50
50

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With or without influx of tourists from other places?
60%
50% But how do we ensure that food and utensils are being safely prepared and cleaned?
50 percent
I think that depends on the design of the restaurant, how many tables it had initially, what kind of ventilation it has,... I don't believe there's a single percentage
100%
50%
20%
0%
depends on the layout. 6 feet apart
10%
10%
50%
25%
I rarely eat in at restaurants
50
100%
100%
25-35%
50
30-40% to maintain distancing
Should be up to the establishment to seat people in a social distancing setting. Some have more room to seat more percentage and still maintain. Distancing.
75%-100% Those not interested or concerned with eating out, should stay home.
80%
Depends on lay out of the seating. Keeping tables 6 feet apart
50%
10%...this is based upon the very small dining areas. For example, Barnacle Bistro has very limited seating so in order to maintain social distancing they should really only have 2 tables at a time - one at the end of the seating row and one at the beginning of the seating row. Each restaurant would be different and should be subject to the 6 feet rule. In addition, food service workers should use hand sanitizers whne moving between tables, registers, and pick up windows. Just as hospitals need to use hand sanitizer upon ENTRY and EXIT of a patients room
50
20%
75%
50
25
15?

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50%
Not worried about it.
50
Reduced capacity doesnt concern me as much as proper cleaning procedures do. You can limit a restaurant to 10% capacity but if the kid making minimum wage doesnt wipe down the table after a covid 19 positive person sits there the virus will continue to spread. A restaurant with a history of slow sales like Wongs shouldn't be held to the same standard as Sunset pizza that serves hundreds of people (many are tourists) a day.
50%
50
Every other table
80 percent
33%
50
25%
25%
30% at most
I would defer to the medical experts.
Maybe 30-40%, as long as accepted distancing can be maintained during phase 1.
25
100%
50%
6 ft. Min.
50%
50% every other table to give extra space or 100% if there is adequate space between tables.
30% or whatever maintains social sistanceing.
Depends on the restaurant- sunset 100% (they waste a lot of space), Indian Creek/Porthole/Double D's - 75%.... spinners bar %50/restaurant 100%....
50%
50
75%
Probably 50%
35%
50%
50-60%, maybe with all wait staff wearing masks.
50
25-50
75% Set sanitizing practices in place

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25
40%
25%
50 percent
100
20 but this depends on size of the space.
20%
50%
50%
0
20 as long as we can distance from others and sanitized
To open right now? Zero. It will depend on how gradual reopenings affect a new surge. Restaurants should be among the last to open.
2 tables at a time in small venues, maintain a minimum of 15 ft. apart always. No air conditioning and open windows.
50%
0
50%
0
60 percent.
Whatever allows for minimum of 6ft distances that people will just disregard the guidelines
Start at 25% and go from there. Figure out square footage of each restaurant, factor in the 6ft distance. Can that place of business maintain safety this way?
50
100%
15
50%?
30%
50% for now--differs depending on prevalence as related to testing.
75%
100%
75%
Depends on the restaurant. Some have cramped seating, some do not. They should have seating that keeps people at least 6 feet away from each other.
45-50%
50
100%
None ...lets wait for state guidelines

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100
Restaurants operate on such a small margin, they need to fill tables and have turnover to make a cent. Could The Tav stay open if they were allowed 50%, 3 tables and 5 seats at the bar?
25%
0%
25
25%
30 %. But I dont feel comfortable with it increasing beyond 50 percent max until a vaccine.
100
60%
half
40%
Space 6 feet apart, clean bathrooms and provide hand sanitizer, allow outdoor dining. Screen windows and ventilate if feasible.
100%
50% or less - depends on the restaurant
50
20%
100
50%
50 - 50 percentage
50
50%
Seat min of 6 feet apart better at 10 feet everyone handling food in gloves changed every plate
I don't think we should reopen anything until there's a vaccine.
50
zero.
Guess about 50%, but it depends on how much space they have.
50%
That would depend upon the amount of people crammed into their normal capacity. A restaurant where the chair must be pushed in to pass will obviously need more reduction. I believe 40% could be necessary
6ft apart whatever percentage that requires. Signage at entrance
50%
50
50%
25-50%
50 percent

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50 %
Depending on square footage may 60% or a little more it still needs to be viable for the restaurant or it still won't work as a business
50%
25 percent
15% - 30%
75
50
0%
Normal seating - as in we never sat on top of each other in the first place.
40
100%
50-75
75
15% - 25% depending on the size of the area used for dining
35-40%
25%
75
30 - 40% depending on size.
0
100%
Outside seating and take out
It seems it would have to be all or nothing. Can they pay only a percentage of their operating costs? Probably not.
Practice the new state guidelines
10
55%
35
75%
I feel that the smaller restaurants may not be able to open. Whatever percentage that allows for safe distancing. Really 6 foot is not enough in a place that people are hanging out for longer periods of time!
varies from restaurant to restaurant.
50%
50%
50%
75%
50%5
It's either relatively safe to open, or not. I think it's unreasonable to expect restaurants to change their floor plans or capacity. And who is going to police special rules?

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50
20% per fire marshall suggestions for retail space.
0
Depends on the layout and number of seats in the restaurant.
50%
50%
25% to start
80
50%
50%
This would vary based on location. It seems important to maintain 6 feet of distance between the parties/tables.
0%
50
40%
50%
75%
50
50
If they are opened I would assume it would be business as usual. Difficult for 2 people going to lunch to sit 6 feet away from each other. 100% of normal seating. If uncomfortable don't go out to eat.
Not sure, maybe 50%?
50%
50 to 60
50% MAX
1/2
50%
Each will be different based on there size and commitment to safety.
50
50%
0
50%
60
Less concerned about percentage; more concerned about proximity.
0%. Sorry, this is a bad idea.
50%
25
Depends on the layout.

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Not sure. I won't eat out for a long while.
In the beginning 30%
50%
10 feet distance. So that percentage would be determined by square space.
50%
25%
75%
75\$
75
50%
30%
50
50% at first..
50
100%
You should consult with public health and the health inspector on this, not the public.
50%
Unsure
2%
60
50
100
100% if they choose to open
Depending on the seating arrangement. Every other table?
20
50
15%
Case by case basis.testing, folkz. We need it.
No more than 50 people per room.
75
50
50%
Each will be different, depending upon how close their tables are and size. Let them decide.
50
At least 50%
50%
50% of seating. 6 foot distance from table to table.
10%

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50%
It would depend entirely on the establishment and its floor plan. There is a formula used in other similar situations over the years. (floor plan - conditions or rules = allowable seating) . Then you just have to train staff up to change how they seat, serve and clean up after people. Takes about 4 hours. Restaurants were usually opened in 3 phases as well. Limited Dine in. Open Dine in. Open General Call Brian over at premiere sanitation about it if you need details.
Depending on size of business seating area.... I would say 40 to 50%.
I think there is more that needs to be considered than just how many are seated (air conditioning and Air movement has shown to further the distance needed for safe spacing)
25%
Let the market decide. Stop working to institute new rules and regulations.
50
50
20
25
50%
40% Can they survive at that level? I don't know.
50 percent
30 to 50 - experts really need to determine, but tourists need to be made to follow protocols or not shop/visit. Sadly, too many people think nothing applies to them. Too many from out of the area are already coming in when they should not travel.
50%
20
15. ? Don't know the individual restaurant serving structure but some are quite small in size so the same % would render differently.
0
0%
0
30%

COVID19 CITIZEN SURVEY COMMENTS

QUESTION #18 Please share your thoughts/concerns regarding personal and community health safety as it relates to this Phased re-opening process.

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The economy is failing. Corporations will come in to buy failed businesses.
During the stay home stage, very few county residents are practicing social justice thing, and extremely few are wearing masks. It will only get worse as we re-open. Curry county has a large elderly population, A high rate of diabetes, heart disease, and obesity. It has one hospital with 16 staffed beds. The overall quality of healthcare in Curry County is abysmal.
Biggest concern is that reopening will allow a second wave of infections that will kill many people.
complaining is not productive
I think we will see alot more cases if we start opening now
I feel that safety from COVID19 is dependent on individuals. People not coming to work & going out if ill, wearing masks, maintaining distances are most important.
I worry about the age of our population and the resources Curry Health has to assist if we saw a surge in cases in Curry County.
postponing only makes things worst
Not worried
We do not have the testing or the infrastructure in place to deal with the surge in infections. Why can we not learn from others. Germany is a country that has done a fabulous job bringing their virus reinfection rate down to 0.7. they just cautiously re-opened and the rate has spiked right back up to 1.0.
No doubt about it, we do not have adequate health services here. This is a major concern. I am halfway between GB and PO and would use Curry General in an emergency. They have laid off so many people. I am concerned that we could be burdened by cases from Brookings if they open up tourism, and they don't even pay into our system.
I think masks should be required (as in Humboldt County) and enforcement with citations and fines
Probably the most dangerous approach to this situation is to keep discussing it and throwing out different dates or acting alone. People are getting confused by groups pushing all these different entities to act on their own and starting to take more and more dangerous actions that are counter to social distancing.
Travel from tourism outside the area with no ability to track as the virus has the possibilities to spread from that source.
We will likely experience an significant spike in infections. Are we prepared for this?
Life is messy. I feel that this has been going on for too long and that the numbers do not support what has been done to us.
Not enough Dr medical staff since Mrs Williams got rid of important staff for only 4 cases who didn't use the Hospital
???
Our #'s are low because we've stayed home AND because we've done MINIMAL testing. Not nearly time to open back up yet.

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That's not gov't concern
N/a
Open up, my family is ready for our community to be open and welcome in our tourists!
It's too early to reopen
People will become unconcerned again. Seeing it happening just because they are tired of restrictions.
I would like to see us practice with local openings, but not advertise to the general public.
I'm optimistic about re-opening, but a re-shut down would do much more harm than extending the current one.
It's too soon. Too many local people don't take this seriously enough already. More people will get sick and die as a result. I'd rather wait.
TESTING IS STILL NON-EXISTENT OR TAKES 5-8 DAYS TO GET RESULTS; HOW CAN WE OPEN UP WITHOUT KNOWING WHO IS INFECTED?
We have so few cases that strong contact tracking should be implemented. If we find that cases are originating from tourists coming from outside our area, our maids and restaurant workers are at risk. Set criteria for shutting it back down.
Curry General Hospital needs MORE testing and we need to be antibodies testing here as well...FOR EVERYONE!
We are fortunate to live where we can get out and walk/hike and maintain social distancing. I worry about tourists unintentionally infecting locals with the virus. I also worry about the amount of trash they leave on our beaches that may be infected. Our community has stayed safe and we really need to consider what could happen with an influx of tourists.
Biggest health concern is encouraging tourists here too early.
Those that are high risk or paranoid can continue to stay home. The rest of us need to function and live otherwise you are going to see catastrophic consequences.
1st priority is safety. Human life is highest goal.
Not concern
We are all over this!!! Let's get back to living taking precautions as necessary
Bad idea until at least mid May or the end of May
Not everyone wearing mssks on public
Slow and easy wins the race
I just don't want to start too early as we need to have the best part of the economic generating summer, July and August.
Concern is that by reopening we may get a rise in the virus
There needs to be enforcement of rules.

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Traveling/tourists. We've been very fortunate to have such low Covid19 numbers so far. I would love for it to stay that way. I know we count on tourists for our economy, but I feel if they bring in the virus, we're going to be back to this lockdown.
I see quite a lot of people in town not wearing face masks and not maintaining social distancing. I had to ask a young man at the grocery store the other day to please honor the 6-ft. distancing and move away from me. He laughed and said I was "one of those who are believing all this crap." The clerk then stepped in and asked him to please back off. He reluctantly moved away from me shaking his head and laughing. My concern is that if some people are behaving this way right now, how will it look when businesses begin re-opening. They may feel that the threat is all over and life has returned to "normal." Is there a plan to educate stupid people?!
None. I would expect at risk individuals to make their own exceptions.
I feel too many people are not taking this as seriously as they should, many people without face masks at the supermarket is a clear example. Re-oening will have to be carefully monitored.
There should be citations for offenders
If your health is compromised, maintain social distancing and all other recommendations.
We need experts to guide wisely through phases - not those swayed by bias and ignorance.
If visitors and tourists are not limited, the area will flood with people in RVs when the second wave hits.
A very low percentage of the residence of Curry County have been tested. I think most people feel that this is a hoax. They're not taking it seriously. They're putting others at risk by not following safe protocols.
Everyone should use masks
Many people I have talked to locally are retired and don't care that many people still need to make a living. My opinion is if they are retired they have the option of staying home.
Opening too soon will cause the amount of time we are dealing with Covid to increase, as well as place at risk our local population.
Inadequate stock of food and a spike of tourists to gold beach.
people will die if we open
Distance stay home if sick
Tourists bring COVID from other places and we do not properly social distance or take enough precautions and our older citizens suffer and die.
Lots of elderly and disabled. Enough ventilators? Where to go if more are needed quickly.
People not taking virus seriously and flaunting guidelines. Commissioners not coordinating with cities.
Should be ok

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Since there has not been an effective vaccine created for the other coronaviruses, I'm not hopeful for a timely one for this variation. The only way to reach herd immunity is through careful exposure. I think it is individual response for those most at risk to take the most precaution, until society eases to a point where this will not be catastrophic. The trying to wait it out will ensure catastrophe.
Concerned that some individuals will not adhere to the distance requirement or wearing masks.
Personal choice is a hallmark of democracy.
I think our county is divided by people who want things open and those who don't. I am saddened that those who are young and healthier don't feel the need to be considerate and helpful to those who would be most impacted if they contracted this evil virus.
It is our observation that local citizens of Gold Beach's residents do not currently follow even the most basic health guidelines for face coverings with the exception of about 75% of food workers adherence. There is even more resistance to self protection practices in neighboring Brookings.
If someone is uncomfortable with opening, they could self isolate and ask for help having necessary items brought to them. My understanding of viruses and bacteria is to to keep my own immune system in good shape. To wash my hands, etc. If we are never allowed to go back to a full social life, I would rather not live. "Social" media doesn't cut it.
I do not believe the hospital is equipped to deal with a high influx of covid cases.
ADHERE TO GOV KATE BROWNS REGS. PLZ REFER TO MY PREVIOUS COMMENTS TO HAVE INSIGHT INTO MY ROLE IN THIS CRISIS.
I am concerned that people will begin to ignore the need to be vigilant. This pandemic will be with us for a long time.
Tourists. Many of them are not increasingly discourteous and disrespectful. A observed trend after living here and paying attention for 25 years. This and upcoming year will be no different. It's a social attitude, now bringing more threatening consequences.
A lot of people don't think there is anything to worry about and don't take precautions so there is really no way to keep others safe. The rest of us can just do our best.
I believe local businesses should be allowed to open immediately with exception of lodging. We are not equipped to handle influx of tourist. Grocery stores do not have the stock to handle local residents. Adding tourists will add fuel to the fire!
i'm concerned for all of us older folks, especially those of us who live alone. i think our low numbers have lulled many into a false sense of security
I am concerned for those who refuse recommendations and endanger others.
Not everybody will follow all the rules no matter what they are. I will continue looking after myself and my family.
I am concerned that we will need to shut down again and the tourists will not respect that.
I would like to see more testing for both antibodies and disease here, locally.

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I am concerned that we still maintain the safe distance and wearing of masks. I am also concerned about an influx of tourists or non-locals, effecting the possible impact of a spike in cases and an increased shortage of groceries and supply availability to local consumers.
no tourists
IT IS TOO RISKY - when TRUMP gets his way and re-opens, people will make mistakes, get complacent, travel to larger cities and bring the virus back to Curry County.
I have little social contact (=no social life, LOL) other than essential retail, my concern for the community is the introduction of the virus from outside the area...
People need to stay at home and stop using this as a vacation ! Everyday our town is flooded with out of state plates and people now coming in rvs to fish camp etc. this isn't a vacation stay in your own town until this clears up. Our city needs to be enforcing this harder
We need herd immunity to enhance our immune systems along with some safety measures.
Some states have travel restrictions. As they open, people are allowed to travel 40 min from home...to be widened if cases do not increase. We are a tourist town...but have an at risk population with limited medical resources. I say slow and safe.
Education
Not the right or safe time to consider any phase!
Oh please, the hospitals are empty and the nursing staff are doing tik-tok videos. Obviously there's no "surge" so let's just get back to normal.
Don't rush it. Without a vaccine it's not worth the risk.
It has to begin at some point. If it was purely local, then I would be more comfortable with the idea because tracking our communities cases/exposure chances is manageable. Unfortunately as other places open up, we can't control those that travel, and we saw how those folks employed decision making when things first started to close down. I would not like to see a revamp of spring break.
I think even considering re opening this soon is a joke it doesn't matter that we have so few cases here, the second the town reopens we're going to be bombarded with tourists and end up with a lot more cases and more fear and danger to the people at risk. It's not fair for those at risk to not feel safe leaving their homes in their community because we are allowing people from outside the area here during all this.
I think I covered above.
Our community has a large population of medically fragile persons. A large outbreak could mean a lot of death.
I am concerned that our hospital will fill up with tourists and our hospital doesn't have capacity or enough employees for that. I am worried the tourists will bring covid 19 with them and not follow the rules set down by Governor Brown.
There is not enough, by a long shot not enough

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Oh just more cases and a second wave of this Covid-19 and having to shut down again when we could have kept it up this time and gotten ahead of it
you are bringing the virus here!
Tourist population bring virus in. Good for buisness but supply is only enough for locals and our community is vulnerable being primarily over 60
Our infection statistics cannot be used. We have not had adequate testing to gain factual knowledge. We are trying to base a re-opening on things as reliable as a used coloring book.
Well the medical center in Brookings lost all of its workers So there is That little issue.
Tammie Kaufman should resign along with the City administrator.
Im just worried that some one from the outside will bring COVID 19 to our small community and CGH will not be able to handle everything that might come their way
Too many people do not believe this pandemic is real. The Second Wave will be worse.
People have a tendency to want to flock and this is a major concern, I have already witnessed this on the river and trails and some beaches as soon as it is a sunny day
As a business owner I think we need to make sure that our community is prepared for a very slow summer. We need to protect our vulnerable population by continuing to meet their needs and allowing Curry County to slowly and steadily reopen. I am hoping that those who are traveling this summer will respect our isolation and fragility of our infrastructure.
*Please share YOUR thoughts/concerns regarding personal and community health safety as it RELATES TO this phased re-opening process. We need to work together and not worry about our personal freedoms as much as the good of the entire community.
Until there is some unity in leadership and more priority being given to making PPE and making testing available and focus on the vaccine how can we feel like someone is still working to resolve this issue so we are safe and don't save an More horrible scenario on the fall???
What will be the consequences for people who do not follow the protocols?
We should not rush things if it puts our frontline workers/ medical workers at risk of becoming ill.
Now is not the time to bring motel tourist into our community
testing
Reopening to early
Too many people going into small stores and restaurants it needs to go SLOWLY
I don't see many people following the existing guidelines while out and about now. What will it be like as more people come out of their homes?
Government shouldn't dictate. Cosmetologists have their own org to dictate protocols, as do others.
Many medical staff have been lost from our community, so getting the hospital properly staffed is a primary concern - closely followed by lifting protocols that disallow visitors to patients in hospitals.

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I am ok with the phases re-opening. But I do think that we need to start with opening to the locals first. Keep our small businesses alive. Protect our elders that are so vulnerable to this virus. We were very smart to isolate this rural community from this virus and keep the cases so low but I think that it would be detrimental if we open up our tourist season too early and get the virus going around here. If we can find a way to open up the restaurants, shops and outdoor activities for the locals and come together to support local.
No one answer fits all. Safety at a given business should determine how it works. If a place is crowded, I would not go in, just as I don't shop for groceries if crowded now.
my thoughts are that majority of people will use common sense dealing with each other, respect others comfort on distanceing, and let the other person know if you need them farther away
Influx of Covid cases
My biggest concern is tourism is going to bring an influx of virus cases and our inability to take care of our own community if that happens. I work as an analyst in healthcare for a bay area hospital (95% remotely) and it concerns me that we only have a 16 bed hospital, no ICU and only 5 vents when approximatley 1/2 of our population is elderly and/or high risk.
We need to get moving again. Lock people up too long and we will have other issues to deal with such as crime and supply chain break downs that could be worse then the virus
Safety first. Massive testing and contact tracing is mandatory. Do not rush into reopening. This is an unprecedented event. Life and death.
I'm concerned that some people will not wear masks and are in denial of risks
Concerned that tourist will bring in a huge spike of covid cases
We can't even get the general public to wear face masks. I have little faith in people becoming more concerned for other people's health. If anything, I'm afraid once things are re-opened people will go right back to "normal".
We need to ensure safety requirements are enforced
My concern is adequate medical care. For regular issues. Strange since the pandemic you can't see a dr. or pick up medication
We, wrongly, close down beaches, trails, camp grounds where people can safely get out of the house but there is no recourse or penalty to those that chose to ignore safety boundaries and protocols.
Worried about an influx of tourist coming! But worried about businesses if they don't!
Schools should remain shut until fall. The Senior centers should remain closed until July.

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A lot of people I've interacted with in our community are not taking this seriously. I was shocked that the door girl, the receptionist, my nurse and dr. at the hospital were not masked. In many of our local stores, they have shields up and are distancing but not wearing masks. I ask why? They say because we aren't affected here, it's a small risk or because your wearing a mask so I don't have to. Many businesses are very good, both our grocery stores for example, but our people seem to feel pretty safe and that is dangerous. I'm concerned that as we reopen, people will not follow proper guidelines and our influx of out of area people will be huge, putting us all at risk.
Let's get this stuff figured out!!!!
Mental health matters.
I'm just concerned in general. I still hope people follow the guidelines set forth. This is far from over we still need to be diligent in our daily routines to keep our hands washed, stay home if your sick....
We need more hand washing stations and sanitizer stations to clean hands if we go to multiple stores it will help the spread.
Again, tourist influx is a huge concern - but we need to start opening up. And be ACCURATE on the testing (more availability) and report daily. If we start to blow up, shut it down!
I am unconcerned, reopen with social distancing measures in place
Have a person with autoimmune disease that I fear for.
Let's open and everyone keep practicing the guidelines
slow is good
I fear the virus will spread faster do to all the tourists.
Rushed
Our area has always needed more medical facilities. We don't have much as it is.
Lack of understanding and adherence to the guidelines by general population. Some will follow impeccably and others will continue to flaunt the guidelines putting people in harm's way. Also, I'm concerned about what will trigger a slowing back down if necessary. This will bring more COVID cases to this community, we all know it. What then?
Tourist Lodging should be the on the 3rd phase long after local amenities. All the hotel workers are making more on unemployment than they're usual wages & the hotel owners will be just fine
not good
Im worried for local businesses the most. I worry that the smaller stores may fast track this virus.
Easily spreading and not having enough care or supplies
It's being ignored in favor of the economy.
Always err on the side of caution healthwise for all. Economic issues should be second, not first concern.
People need to stay home and stay safe.

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We are as safe as we choose to be, some will go on like nothing is happening and most will continue to social distance and wear a mask. It should be safe as it is now. And yes we will have more cases eventually.
At risk; noncompliance
Rural healthcare is crap. Brand new xpensive, fancy hospital and unaffordable test kits. Poor people not being tested. People in quarantine not actually quarantining. People with no disregard for safe distancing. Not covering sneezes and coughs.
None, open up ASAP before it's to late and we have past the point of no return.
Successful reopening requires that people buy in to the phases and follow the guidelines. People already are not following guidelines because of their annoyance with the rules.
All businesses that feel comfortable opening should be able to do so, adding rules to the no shoes, no shirt, no service standard like no mask no service, maintain minimum distance or no service, and maximum capacity is x. Businesses not comfortable reopening don't. Similarly, customers comfortable complying with businesses rules shop there, customers uncomfortable or unwilling to comply, don't. I think most people are willing to do the right thing and the system needs to allow businesses to refuse admittance to those who don't.
everyone moving at once to many people coming to the beach at once and they don't care about any one else.
We're an aged community, so always the concerns. We do have many fragile, but as a group we seem to be a pretty hardy and resilient community so....
I feel we should not reopen anything until no new cases of infection arise.
More people means increased possibility of spreading the virus. It only takes one careless person to infect the community.
Please keep tourists from coming before local businesses have had a chance to safely open. We need to focus on taking care of our local people first.
Masks need to be made more readily available cheaply for all citizens. It needs to be mandatory to enter stores. All don't liners must wear masks.
Respect personal space of others and stay clean
Need to get financial support to medical providers—cgh— and provide support to those who choose to stay in.
I think most people have a better understanding of how they should behave. My primary concern would be food shortages and cleaning supply shortages.
We've been pretty lucky on cases because we have been pretty isolated. When mixing with people from other regions increases, that will change bigtime - and we don't have the infrastructure to deal with it.
People need to eat but not jam in
I want public health authorities to take the lead on decisions, not local or county governments. Let the health professionals guide us.Tw

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Most concerned about the people aged 40 and younger who appear to be unconcerned about safe practices.
Tourists will bring in covid
Going to stay in as much as possible!!
I don't think we should reopen anything until there's a vaccine.
we need jobs back
It is like being a defensive driver..I can only control myself, but I'll be watching how everyone around me is acting, or NOT acting, as the case seems to be!
Testing is of the utmost importance. Without it we have no idea what is going on.
I think personal safety of the LOCAL citizens requires priority. I feel the industry that drives economy should never superceed community safety.
Signage so everyone is on the same page. I do not mind wearing a mask for others. Personal hygiene for yourself. Something creative for money/cards for everyone
we have 1 active case, and the hospital is emty. My personal feeling is that we aren't going to get a sudden "explosion" of Covid cases
I just worry about out of towners bringing the virus into our County
As a business owner I do depend on bars and restaurants. That being said I scared of out of towners overwhelming our town with Covid-19 and depleting the few resources we have.
Those who do not take the situation seriously.
Concerned about travelers. They are already all over. I see outsiders everyday at the beach. Sad people don't listen.
My top concern is that soo many people have been out of work and the moment you open something people will not use common sense and socially distance themselves. You cannot trust people to think before acting. When tourism opens the islanders will flock here. They will bring their sick kids and there not feeling so well spouses and they will spread this disease like wild fire not caring who it touches.
we have virtually no covid19 here ~ need to be able to resume services to Brookings, Gold Beach etc.
Need to be aware and be sanitary. Not so sure using antibacterial is the answer. We are eliminating all germs - we need some bacteria.
I feel we just need to wait a little longer. There will be too many out of towners that can bring in the virus
None....the economic impact is killing us, though. Get things opened up!
Biggest concern is influx of visitors from high exposure/COVID19 cases
I'm not that worried about getting the virus. I'm very concerned about out of towers coming in, seeing things their stores can't keep in stock or even get, and emptying our stores. Rays ' McKays are great but it's still a luck of the draw if you can find paper products to buy.

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I am worried that many of our residents are not taking this virus seriously or are willing to sacrifice certain demographics. Also the impact on multigenerational families (grandma has custody or lives with adult children) who are no longer protected by the stay at home order and must try to find a way to run the household and stay isolated from those who have returned to the general public.
Curry Medical no longer has the professional capacity to handle more COVID19 cases since half of the Dr's and Nurses have been let go or have resigned. No faith in them whatsoever.
Less interaction with wait staff can be done by writing order or on tablet. Using cart to bring food. Taking temp, using PPE for fishing guides.
Feel our government reps are going over the heads of state recommendations for profit versus safety
I'm concerned we will have a large infection rate if we just open up everything at once. I like the phased approach. I'm glad Mrs Williams has had her Friday night talks the last few weeks. I'm also glad the cities are following state and federal guidelines and they are working together with the county board.
face covering, 6ft apart, no big groups, be extra safe remind everyone the covid 19 is still out there!!
Gonna be hard to get everyone to respect the new normal. Not sure how they are going to be handled. It is a concern of mine!
Inevitably certain individuals will purposely or ignorantly disregard these guidelines and interact closely with strangers without regard for public safety. Who and how will these guidelines be enforced to avoid the inevitable confrontations? LE might consider random and periodic foot patrols in major stores to survey and encourage compliance.
The bio terrorists who wrap themselves in the American flag and whine about their personal freedoms. True patriots are following the guidelines, staying home, sacrificing their personal freedoms for the benefit of their communities. 10% selfish, "privileged" and careless people could drag this out unnecessarily.
I am concerned about the people who won't adhere to re-opening protocols.
People who do not believe this virus is real and do not follow guidelines.
As stated above, I'm concerned about the elderly either willfully disregarding social distancing recommendations, or their inability to. I feel like I have to not open my business, to make sure they stay at home.
I am taking 3 immune boosters daily, wearing a mask in public, mask and gloves at work, and requiring our clients to maintain physical distancing and health screening if they want to access services we are able to safely provide at this time. I am concerned about the lack of focus and support for the healthcare and outreach to our homeless citizens. The Curry Homeless Coalition is working with our partners to develop systems of care for our homeless population throughout Curry County. We'd like support form our local government agencies, primarily public health, in our efforts.
We HAVE to get our economy going again. Yes, it will mean there will be another spike in deaths, but there will be many more deaths if our economy collapses.
Concerned that fear and misinformation may drive the bus, instead of science and common sense.

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I'm ready to start moving toward normalcy, but rushing without real testing numbers means we are just guessing, and that will sacrifice people who trust their leaders and they will choose to go out. Most have abided by the Stay Home Stay Healthy orders and our low numbers of exceptionally sick who qualified for a test does reflect that. However, the less sick and asymptomatic numbers have not been captured. How much risk are city leaders willing to incur, personally, to say it's safe? People will not be as willing to shut down a second time, you have compliance and cooperation now. Please don't feel pressure to rush. We have never been like anywhere else in the state, our community is special and unique. Our peak is still coming, and I believe opening too soon is inviting avoidable risk and potentially fatalities.
Cannot be done safely until adequate testing is available to all
I think when people are out in public it should be mandatory that they wear masks
This is very hard on one side we want to protect the health of all in our community but we need the economic to start or our town will die off one store at a time.
If done correctly will probably work okay. Like I said just because things are open doesn't mean you have to go there. You can still wear a mask shopping and try to keep your distance. It will be a very long time before people are comfortable.
Mostly worry about interactions with people who are involved with a lot of others i.e. clerks, essential workers etc.
No sure. Being retired I can control going out and being careful.
Open most everything with sanitation and social distancing
Small business can stay cleaner and set boundaries much easier than large markets- our economy is tourist driven. We need to allow people here, to work, to survive. We are aware of how to keep ourselves safe.
I would like to see local restaurants consider converting part of their parking area for outdoor dining to allow the space needed for social distancing.
Re-opening does not guarantee patronage for business. Particularly for restaurants, how to manage food with unknown number of diners could be more detrimental to business.
Our community is very fragile, with over 50% being over the age of 60. It's our responsibility as a COMMUNITY to protect them! And it's not just them, all lives matter. The health of our county is at stake here.
Do not open yet! Stay safe until we get testing.
We need to wear masks and maintain social distancing, no exceptions. We need to be able to get testing and tracking in place for all individuals.
I think reopening is important for the economy and for everyone's mental health, but I think there needs to be strict in force able restrictions
I have witnessed people without masks or covering their mouths, coughing, with no care in the world. Masks should be mandatory if you go out into the public.

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I see way too many people who seem to feel that a right to do harm to others is part of their constitutional heritage.
My main concern is people are not following social distancing, wearing a mask, or staying home now. Why would those same people follow guidelines in a phased reopening...?
They follow emotionally charged responses from community of uneducated people.
No tourists. No lodging.
I believe we had the virus earlier this year. We can't hide from risk. Everyone should be free to do what they are comfortable with.
No concern
I think Curry County has been great at following all precautions and will continue to
Seems premature. We are just now starting to see cases. Just bc the # is low does not mean risk is low. Cases in surrounding areas are rising. Worried for fall and winter more than summer.
honestly my biggest concern is to many out of towners at once. Start opening with locals for a few weeks
Slowly open
Quarantine the sick, not the healthy
I'm concerned about a spike in cases.
Testing.
Sick people should always stay home, especially front line workers. Immune compromised people should self isolate until there is herd immunity if they feel there is risk for them.
Government control for the sake of our safety is very concerning.
Any phased opening should prevent close contact.
Too many people from areas that are "hot spots" our health care capacity. Too many people who do not take social distances seriously. Going to the store now I feel like is a game of Russian Roulette.
Everyone that enters any business should have their temps taken. They do it overseas with a machine pointed at your forehead, we can do that here.
My main concerns are around transmission - influx of non-residents, scarcity of testing, and general unknown characteristics of the virus.
If re-started too soon, I am concerned our COVID-19 cases will soar. Also if motels/RV parks/campgrounds reopen too soon or if traveler-cased businesses re-start too soon, our COVID-19 numbers will soar.
Things have changed. Not all change is bad. If we embrace the change, things will get back to pretty close to normal. Just a cleaner more sanitized normal.
We have one of Oregon's HIGHEST populations of elderly per capita here in Curry county. My concern is that our re-opening could endanger our elders with actively bringing in more cases. We will decimate our most vulnerable population.
I feel pretty safe here but concerned with tourists coming in without more testing first.

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My concern is tourists bringing Covid-19 with them to our community. Travel into Curry County should not happen until a treatment is found.
More people means more chance of high numbers
I am concerned an influx of tourists will spike the number of COVID cases in Curry County
Those who think rules don't apply to them.
Concerned it's too early with no vaccine in sight and many thinking this is a hoax to begin with. Seems the lifting of restrictions is viewed as a green light verses a yellow light for socializing.
It's to soon
We need to make sure we are safe and the virus is declining

COVID19 CITIZEN SURVEY COMMENTS

QUESTION #19 Please share your thoughts/concerns regarding the re-opening process generally.

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19. Please share your thoughts/concerns regarding the re-opening process generally. As examples: specific business sector concerns, OR concerns/thoughts about how the process will roll out locally and regionally, etc. (note: these are the exact answers no editing or spell/grammar checking has changed original text except to remove names for privacy)

Open all.
Is LE going to enforce social distancing? Is the county health department going to enforce mandated protocols for each business sector? How is the county going to enforce and guarantee businesses and private citizen compliance?
I'm concerned that we are putting more worth in our economy than our lives. I understand that people are struggling financially but that makes this an opportunity to reform and find ways to prevent financial ruin from happening virtually overnight for any reason.
go slow to get far
I dont people will be safe in businesses if we start opening now
Visitors walking our almost empty beaches and staying in lodging is very little risk especially if following protocols. It is also vital to our town's floundering economy to get this going as soon as possible. Many vacation rental owners/business owners are under duress of foreclosure or closing permanently which would be devastating to our little town.
Open it up. The vulnerable should stay isolated. We have community resources available to assist them with needs like shopping, if required or requested.
Just do it. There ARE no concerns. This virus has less deaths than this years common flu.
Not worried
In my view, opening up transient lodging at all will bring visitors here from virus epicenters and our infection rates will spike and I do not think we are set up to deal with that. The same thing applies to opening our beaches and parks to non-locals. I realize this sounds unfriendly, but we cannot handle the consequences of day trippers from virus epicenters. We are too fragile.
It is a very tough situation. The facts are that people need income and we don't want to see our business owners fail. There will be risk. Those of us who are most vulnerable need to watch out for our health but we can't let the younger generations lose all their dreams in the process. I wish there were perfect answers. But there aren't.
I fear the first tourists will be the worst and least considerate of our health and safety.
See the previous comment.
I think most businesses like salons could open with appointment only in place. Unfortunately Gold Beach is very dependent on tourism, we need to attract a more diverse business. Warehouse with manufacturing, a processing plant, trade school small entrepreneurs in the port vacant lots.

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<p>The leadership of the County are not behind the governor and not behind the social distancing protocols. They do not practice them. They appear to be more interested in teaming up with Douglas County than getting behind the Western states alliance. This lack of enthusiasm, this focus on livelihood versus lives will impact how successful we are in rolling out a phased reopening. In another section I have covered the impact I see in overturning the order to temporarily close transient lodging facilities to non-essential visitors. No amount of sanitizing or lower occupancy rates will deter the resultant spread of the virus which will occur if we let people in. During the April 29th meeting Sue Gold pointed out that the Beach Front Inn still sees visitors because they ask to use the bathroom. This is not a reason to open hotels it us a reason to close the port.</p>
<p>everything will go as planned.</p>
<p>The Visitor Center parking area needs reopened ASAP</p>
<p>See #18</p>
<p>The economy as a whole</p>
<p>Worry people/business will take short cuts and jeporise the safety of all.</p>
<p>Please do not start the process too soon and/or fast. Help protect us all who live in the county. I love Gold Beach, and do not want this virus to spread through our towns.</p>
<p>Open everything, let's get everyone back to work!!</p>
<p>It's too early to welcome tourists from Covid hot spots and there is no way to ensure they don't bring the virus here.</p>
<p>Worried about the tourism \$\$\$ locally. It is our bread and butter. But, maybe, at the expense of our vulnerable population.</p>
<p>We need to see everyone using PPE when around others. I'm worried folks/visitors will flood to the coast making it unsafe for locals. Then I will feel even less comfortable going out for the services I need. Already out of town folks have been camping on our public lands, making them unavailable for our use. First below question- I live in Curry County and work Count wide. But dont live directly in GB.</p>
<p>A reluctance and failure to re-close businesses if cases spike.</p>
<p>I worry more about the workers than the patrons. Even upon reopening, I would be worried to utilize businesses where worker's needs are not being protected.</p>
<p>IF WE MUST, THEN PHASE IN WITH MONTHLY GOALS TO ENSURE NO ONE CHANGE SPIKES THE INFECTION COUNT</p>
<p>Probably most important to coordinate with Rogue Valley opening.</p>
<p>I would like to see everything open up, BUT make the wearing of masks MANDATORY for anyone who wants to enter an establishment.</p>
<p>I do not believe lodging and tourist activities should be reopened during early phases, or at least until we have much better testing and medical capabilities here. We need to protect our citizens first.</p>

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I think it needs to be business as usual. Those that are in the high risk can continue staying at home and using protection. We don't quarantine the healthy. Use common sense!
Enclosed business should only allow 1 person at a time. Open air business allows with 6 feet between customers. Mask required all times.
Not concern
Gotta start somewhere
It will bring the virus into our community. So far we've done so well, so why make it horrible?
I am concerned with how our local small businesses will survive. We are a tourist town and rely on out of town people to help the community thrive. But, the concerns of the town of becoming higher risk town, with influx if people/ possibility of the spread of covid19, is concerning that the local small businesses will not survive and the town will become a ghost town.
I think the virus has proven to be less deadly than originally feared. Continued isolation will only deplete natural immune responses that we acquire from social interactions. Because quarantine may already be affecting us in this way, we should all re-enter slowly
Open up outdoor rec and camping first as they are less likely to be vectors for transmission. Motels and restaurants/bars should be next.
Concern is that I'm not sure our business would survive
As long as employers are getting FREE money from government loans for payroll they have a financial incentive to put their employees at risk As long as employees want free government money they want to stay home. Both are greedy. But one puts everyone at risk.
Our primary loss of business is through restaurant/bar/retail. I feel that these businesses should be able to open at limited capacity, BEFORE travel is allowed. We can stimulate our own local economy with these businesses open. The lack of tourism will indeed be hurtful to some, but our community needs to stay healthy and restart first.
I will not go into a business if I feel there's no way to maintain 6-ft social distancing. It's hard enough right now to convince some people to back off, so I wonder if the re-opening will let some people feel that all is well again, no need to follow the guidelines. I guess education is the key.
Medical services should be a priority. That CHN has furloughed workers shows that profit is their goal..not actual delivery of care
I understand the economic concerns both a person and a business. But I feels that businesses that can remain in a virtual State should. Just because a person has office space does not protect them or the public without proper sanitation procedures. If proper sanitation procedures and distancing procedures can be respected there's no reason why businesses that cannot be virtual should not reopen
As long as medical professionals are allowed to regulate the opening process, so that it will not increase the amount of cases locally, or go beyond the limits of our healthcare system, I am ok with the current phased approach.

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I am worried that the process will be rushed because people want to leave their houses.
Open restaurants before you open lodging. Learn from our grocery stores what the supply chain is doing. If we need to open up to tourism, then advertise BYOE (bring your own everything)
FREE SOURCE OF Masks for homeless at each retail outlet. Requirement to wear them.
Not fast enough
Beaches and parks should be opened first with the distance/mask requirements. Any venue/business with lots of customers should be last or very restricted
There should be a review panel that high risk businesses should submit a covid-19 response plan to for approval.
I think opening too soon is a mistake, as it will neutralize the initial effects of the social distancing; that is, every inch of ground we have gained with these restrictions can very easily be exponentially lost in an astoundingly short period of time.
My biggest concern is we have been fortunate in our county to not have a big outbreak. I'd hate to see us have one because we erred by opening and then it hit us hard.
Due to the fact that our locally Covid 19 testing availability is and has been sadly inadequate to residents - it is unreasonable to open our local/regional area too soon!
The libraries should be allowed to open and have programs again... I know a lot of these decisions lie with the state, not the city or county. Thank you for doing the survey.
SEE #18 RESPONSE
Lodging. How do you disinfect a room safely, entirely? Restaurant bathrooms? Public bathrooms?
Reference question 18 answer.
I just feel relieved it is not my decision.
I look forward to business opening and safely operating. I think there should be transparent policies for the safety precautions of all businesses. I am especially concerned that sanitation policies which have long been lacking in lodging are addressed, as well as the volume of bookings or distancing of occupants on boats.
I think it would be a better move to open the city/county internally first, before opening up to outsiders. For example, start to re-open restaurants with restrictions so that the citizens could act as a sort of "test run". Opening up as a whole or opening up just transient services is only going to invite people from outside the community, which will lead to an increased loss of supplies, as well as a potential increase in covid cases.
No many concerns.
Concerned about the boat trips and timing all the supports to open at the proper times to support each other.

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Generally speaking - the majority of our community is blissfully uneducated on the virus - people will get sloppy and careless. When we reopen people will NOT be cautious and will spread the virus WORSE than it was early on. Too many people in our community have shallow and careless attitudes concerning the potential of the virus. Best time to open is when it is GONE - or we'll be closing everything down again.
my main concern are the influx of tourists and the potential for their introducing the virus here. Need very stringent sanitation procedures for public areas-restrooms, lodging, stores, parks, etc. We need to get our community back to work, but we need to safe guard those same workers and their families. I hope this all works out for the best for everyone.
People are more worried about money than health from the business stand point of things it feels like. This is a retirement community do we really want to run the risk of opening back up and infecting the elderly here?!
Those with serious underlying health conditions should take the most precautions but others should be able have the freedom to have less precautions to take
Follow the Governors Mandate. Do not make it up!
Sigh.....see previous answers.
REOPEN ALREADY. You're destroying lives.
Establish safe protocols to get the motels open so folks can return to the river and other family group activities (sorry-no jet boat trips yet) that don't risk others. Stay with take-out meals. Reserve hours at the markets for age groups.
I think we put ourselves and town in danger by reopening for summer because everyone's going to flock here and all this living here will feel unsafe and out at risk as so many have to deal with the general public. As much as it hurts businesses the health of the community in my opinion is more important !
I can access lots of communications through FaceBook but how will those without the online resources get the information. A man in McKays acted like he didn't know he should wear a mask.
This will be a very difficult task and I support those that have to make these difficult decision for us all.
I am very concerned about tourists coming back. Social distancing will be very hard especially in the grocery stores.
Opening the lodging means an influx of out of towners that will already deplete the depleted store, will a local be able to eat out when its at capacity with tourists and the restrictions?
If we can't keep the grocery stores stocked now how will it look when we reopen ?
We are not ready for tourist when the public curry county residents are struggling for their own supplies. And some cant go to brooking or far out place with bigger stock. Because we are made up of senior citizens!
Very gradual, slow to evaluate if practices are occurring and impact on the community

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I think we need to open back up as soon as possible. We all need to get back to work. I think we now know what to do to feel safe.
It has got to be the same at all levels. State, county and cities doing different things will be too confusing. Example, camping is ok in this park but not another. You can't eat at a restaurant and will be shunned at our essential stores, but you can stay many nights at a close-by hotel.
Who is running this? Pretty crazy to think the commissioners are. What do they know regarding this entire thing? where did they get trained or licensed in Public Health?
Open the economy you assholes!
As a community I think we are all ready to start back up, My only concern is we are a tourist town, summer is almost over for us, How are we going to hang on thru the winter if we do not stat up soon. Gold Beach will collapse in on it self
Please consider one way aisles in markets, hardware stores and any other stores with aisles.
I realize the devastating effect on our economy but know that an influx of tourists may bring covid to us. But — we have seen visitors from all over parked at our beaches and it looks like Jots is still renting rooms — we might as well take tourism \$ since they are here already.
I think that the sanitation of motels, vacation rentals, RV parks, public bathrooms is going to be very challenging. Since people come to Gold Beach from generally higher density locations, the risk of the virus being carried in lodging is high. I believe a tremendous amount of thought needs to goRules for cleaning and managing lodging.
Generally I would be in favor of reopening the parks and outdoor activities first. I feel like people can still distance themselves while hiking a trail or going to the park. I'm in favor of reopening other businesses including restaurants and bars. I think if we had some way of testing for the antibodies that was easily available, it would help a lot.
Same with these bicycle group now is not the time to open out town to say out of Towners.
testing
Focus on test and contact tracing. And strongly encouraging individuals doing their part. I would like to see businesses flex their ability to refuse service.
Leave it up to the business. They know rules for their business better than government.
The virus has already been through Gold Beach. Get everything reopened and back to work asap!
Needs to happen soon, but with plenty of "be smart" advertising
As long as the businesses Post what they need from their customers, I feel the more info given the more people will know what is needed from them and better for all concerned, unfortunatly it will be a learning curve for us all
Wish we could open everything except lodging then Curry county residents could go out and support local business
What is our exit strategy and how are we going to help those that contract COVID 19 if this reopening takes a turn for the worst?
Slowly. Reopening should be driven by data, science, caution, compassion, medical expertise.

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Please open up
I'm concerned that some people will not maintain distancing and wear masks
It is too soon. And, should have no out of state tourists until a vaccine or treatment is in place, that will work
I'm concerned for my field. Unlike retail shops and restaurants it is impossible to provide my services without physically touching my clients. I am bewildered that the beauty sector is sorted in with the businesses previously mentioned. But my clients are calling and texting me everyday and if I don't go back I will lose those loyal customers that I rely on.
I feel it's important that all communities in Curry County are consistent with an approach.
City needs to monitor the opening process and ensure guidelines are followed.
I am concerned the government has the power to shut it down. How many people will lose everything with no fault of their own? I was not shut down. But have seen and felt the pain and frustration. For what? We have no tests here. Vaccine maybe in a year? Panic? People judging other people's actions. Fear? What changed? The virus gone? No! But our community and country almost are.
No oversight on those, business and consumers, that chose to ignore the suggested rules and protocols
Have cancer! Will have to have surgery in May! Worried about not having my people with me!
No new cases for a month.
Comments from last question cover this.
Unsure
No thoughts left... survey is too long for phone texting! 😊
Continued economic hardship for some.
I fear it will be like a black Friday sale. This will be a true test of character.
Those persons who think its a hoax and would disregard any scientific evidence to the contrary.
Again - tourists. I don't think lodging should open first - I think it should open last....
see 18
slow is good
I feel we should be open to our local community before we invite tourists. This will give our stores a chance to catch up with restocking essential items. As well as give us information on how we function again as a community with the virus before including others from high risk areas.
Half assed
People need to work to eat and keep the lights on. How dare some people think it's ok to close businesses down and not give one thought about people suffering.
My biggest concern is whether the hospital is prepared for COVID cases with both PPE and staff. There also seems to be a lack of general co-ordination between healthcare and the city/county. Without a coordinated effort, re-opening will potentially cost the lives of my neighbors and friends. This a healthcare crisis before it's an economic crises, please treat it as such.
I'm concerned with the general public disregarding social distancing too soon if the opening process is rushed to much

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you can not stop a stampede to the coast in the summer
Just because we dont have high numbers of positive cases does not mean we wont. Please think this thru..obviously the shelter in place is working it hasnt been that long. We should keep it up for at least 2 more months and then do a deep disinfecting of all public places like stores parks etc.
Way too soon for everyone.
I would like it done very slowly, and watch the numbers closely, testing more folks as we go along.
I live in coos county but work in curry county. People need to stay home and stay safe.
Yes we are concerned and cautious but not panicked like many are.
Too many people thinking this is a hoax are what is concerning many of us. Too many people not taking others health into consideration. Major concerns are outsiders coming in and taking supplies that our people need.
None, open up ASAP and let the business decide how they want to run their business how they want to.
I think we should have parks and beaches open for locals first and foremost. That would help lots of locals who feel trapped in their homes.
Main concerns 1. If small businesses are kept shuttered much longer, the owners' businesses and lives will be ruined. If visitors are allowed before Stores can be kept well stocked, residents will be without necessities.
people need to respect personal distance.
We should just lift the lockdown completely at once and get all sectors working again.
Many services can start probably start immediately, others are going to depend on the supply chain to restock. But citizens need to be able to get used to our new normal before we get a flood of vacationers.
Concerned about jet boats. Even if they are 1/2 capacity people are too close. Germs are flying everywhere. They invite tourists and their germs.
If the economy dies all measures in the county won't matter
We are a good place to get started & see how it goes.
I think there will be lots of trial and error, but that we should not be fearful of trying.
just get it done
Two concerns: stamp out the virus so it does not return in the fall. Help everyone earn a living.
No. Most concerned about youth who don't seem to believe there is a danger. Then about tourists coming flooding in and overwhelming our community. Perhaps limiting no of tourists like 50%?
Tourists will bring in covid
Who knows?

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I don't think we should reopen anything until there's a vaccine.
curry general needs to open soon. we can't lose those workers
Being involved in a business is scary right now. I would love nothing more than to get back to "normal", even though that term is uncertain as of now. Since we haven't even seen the worst of it yet, especially here in Gold Beach, it seems beyond belief that we would even CONSIDER putting ourselves, our families/friends, our loyal customers, as well as the SMALL fraction of health care workers who will have to attend to us when we DO get infected just to open. Aren't we talking about humanity here?!
Beauty parlors and the like should be last, as they require closer personal contact.
Local establishments should be able to begin operating. Our community should begin to interact with our community. I feel it is not the appropriate time to welcome unrestricted global interaction. I have owned a local business, and have had the unfortunate circumstance of that business not surviving. It is a cold hard fact that businesses in Gold Beach do not have an open-ended lifespan.
shop local, spend your checks from the government on USA products and services. Keep the \$\$ in the County, if possible
Hotels and vacation rentals bringing to many people to town. We have relatively a low out break and I believe it's because we're already isolated. Why bring the sickness here when we really can't deal with a big outbreak. Most of our town is high risk people.
Locally we will do fine. Hoping for the best regionally
Motels concern me, how are they going to sanitize every surface in a room to guarantee nobody gets virus. Can't be done.
Beauty salons are the last things that should open. Every person wanting to enter a business should have someone taking temps and inquiring as to the patrons health. All citizens should be tested and made to wait for the results before going out in public again. Testing should be our number one concern. There is no argument that we want things to return to some semblance of normal but that can honestly NEVER happen if we do t act responsibly.
our small business/restaurants are suffering ~ we need to be able to reopen
Am hoping we do not rush into this like a fire sale or a Black Friday sale at Macy's.
The slow roll out is ridiculous.... Not going back to "normal"really?
I think there should be substantial consequences for violating the re-opening process and that it should be enforced!
I don't think that we are ready to invite the general public to come to our small communities yet. You already see a lot of out of State license plates...why are they here?
Open before opening lodging.
Established business with policy's in place expand. Lodging should NOT be one to begin with

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<p>It seems like the county and cities are not working together. This a concern for me. If the county opens and the three cities stay closed what will the visitors do? Where will they go? I can't buy enough food at the store as it is. The supply chain is all bugged up.</p>
<p>be careful, make sure you are ready to open with all safe conditions in place.</p>
<p>I feel that any business that does not encourage people to hang out could open sooner. Restaurants that have outside seating could open sooner.</p>
<p>Some retail stores do not have more than a few people at a time come in and others have many people come in at one time. I think stores should put signs in the windows with guidelines to enter. All Businesses need to post restrictions before entering. My salon is going to only allow one person at a time to enter and restrictions if showing symptoms.</p>
<p>Included in these phased guidelines should be the anticipated protocols if/when containment fails and restrictions need to be reapplied.</p>
<p>Concerns over tourist bringing in. Covid 19. Buying our limited groceries and supplies.</p>
<p>The reopening should be a coordinated effort involving the County, cities, ports and State Parks, not another confusing free for all we saw at the beginning.</p>
<p>See #18.</p>
<p>The patrons who frequent bars and restaurants and do not maintain social distancing</p>
<p>Worries about an influx of visitors is overblown. There's a lot of businesses in our area that depend on snowbirds and visitors. If everyone can use social distancing and run their business, they should be able to. Especially RV parks and hotels. Their needs to be more local influence to wear face masks for everyone. Out of respect for each other.</p>
<p>I trust our City leaders in Gold Beach to make the right decisions during this difficult time. This survey demonstrates the City's willingness to take our thoughts/concerns under consideration. I would like to see those businesses wherein control measures can be most monitored and adhered to open first. An example would be salons - it seems a salon has the ability to limit customers to one at a time, require the use of masks, gloves etc. in order to remain safe with receiving services. Restaurants and bars will have a more difficult time policing the movement and actions of customers. Table-top re-opening with an eye for the "what-ifs" and develop the most stringent protocols possible to get our economy open in a safe manner for all putting our citizens first before economy overall. Thank you for this opportunity to express our thoughts and provide input.</p>
<p>Focus should be on making services available to locals before concern over tourists/outsideers. Beaches and parks should be opened immediately...for /county residents only.</p>
<p>Concerned about a quick increase of cases and I do not think this will be over this year and the stability of income to do this again next season. Continued lock down may cause increased unrest and divide. The prisons are having issues and you can't get more than socially distant then that.</p>

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<p>When Phase I is initiated, who will be charged with enforcement? Will we just trust that businesses will comply with recommendations? We've got a guy who stands on the street smoking cigarettes one after another, wiping his hands all over his face and coveralls while handling his phone, and then touches food...I decide not to go there because I can see how filthy that is. Short of seeing with our own eyes, what are we to do.? Who steps in to protect residents when folks from out of town pass through, and don't know about our community's personal responsibility agreements? They will not wear masks, use hand sanitizers at the door, respect 6 feet of distance, etc. to protect our community...they will say, "I'm just running in real quick." Best of luck with the heavy decisions you have to weigh. You are on the prayers of this citizen.</p>
<p>open to locals first</p>
<p>Just need to see the prosperity come back and be smart and safe about it. You will not make everyone happy some want the town to stay shut down but this will not work. Stay safe I will back you up on what you do.</p>
<p>Regarding Q 12: the only concern I have is the influx of tourists</p>
<p>I think the retail stores will open as before and people will simply be more careful regarding hygiene and distancing.</p>
<p>Seems like we are doing ok here tho not much testing has been done, not even on people that were exposed. Worry most about out of state people coming in.</p>
<p>I do feel that people who are afraid of returning to work should still be able to collect unemployment.</p>
<p>Bars last</p>
<p>There should be no limit on outdoor acts. Start small- but open! Don't go out if you don't want to, but let those that do; do. We can not hide from it.</p>
<p>I would like to see more emphasis on antibody testing.</p>
<p>We simply do not know enough about this virus. Ideally, we should focus on how to help those most in need. Our resources are limited. Desperation leads to lack of patience.</p>
<p>The biggest mistake we could make at this time, would be to reopen transient lodging. This will encourage traveling all over the PNW. Our biggest threat are asymptomatic guests, showing no signs of sickness & that also comes with an incubation period of 2 weeks. This is so dangerous! Are we going to require testing for everyone before they can travel? We're not out of the woods yet, & should continue taking every precautionary measure.</p>
<p>I strongly believe in being cautious and waiting for testing. We should be educated on past pandemics in order to better follow rules.</p>
<p>Follow the state guidelines and take baby steps. 'No hurry in curry' should apply to this process!</p>
<p>I think it needs to be slow and capacities need to be reduced, hotels should be every other room, restaurant should be at 30% beauty salons should be 50% and all other should reduce the capacity and limit the amount of people in at one time</p>
<p>I feel until the community is ready to enforce the guidelines regarding the reopening it won't matter what we decide.</p>

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Rolling out transient lodging first is reckless in my opinion. We do not need or want an influx of tourists here at this time. Start with opening restaurants and businesses for residents first. See how it goes. You know the reality is that tourists are not going to be respectful of our community and citizens and our wishes for a surge free summer. We don't have the resources to police that nor protect everyone.
Business need to enforce their employees wearing masks. And also customers. No masks, no service.
Just open already!
It's time to get back to work
No I think if your a person at high risk you should continue to responsibly social distance
Please share how assessment of phases will go.
Local opening first tourist opening is going to be frightening
Ready for the city to open
I'm very concerned about the overall economic health of our community. I'm not sure that GB can survive these prolonged closures.
I'm concerned people will come visit the coast and our cases will spike if we all transient lodging. All lodging should stay closed until we are in phase 3.
Rules won't work. Education, facts, please.
At this point, it makes sense to reopen, with expectation there will likely be a small spike in cases. It does seem the more virulent strains of Covid haven't been here. So opening transient lodging should be last. Allowing businesses and services (banks, etc) to be fully open will give people their jobs back and help morale, making life more satisfying for residents in our town.
Just open up already.
As a rural community, I think we have less concerns than the more densely populated areas, but should still take basic precautions and not encourage tourism as much as we normally would. We should be, and should have been, looking at other ways for economic vitality, than tourism.
I know our economy depends on tourism dollars but I think hotels RV parks should be the last to open.
I would limit capacity to start...motels, campgrounds, restaurants.
We need more testing to make sure that people that are out and about are safe to do so.
I'm extremely concerned about any setting with more than a handful of individuals - worship, non-essential shopping, restaurants/bars/coffee shops, all tourist industries (jet boats, fishing guides, vacation rentals)...
I don't understand why the reopening of salons and tattoo parlors is in demand.
It's too soon. The problem will not necessarily start out with locals. It will be the outsiders that come in droves to camp, play at the beach, shop, fish, etc....they will use our restaurants, grocery stores retail stores, hotels and RV parks. They will bring it to us and we will spread it. If this MUST happen we open to locals only with strict guidelines.

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We have many small businesses, except bars and restaurants, here that should open if they want to and feel safe. Our population is small and typically 1-2 people shopping at anytime. Have wipes and hand sanitizer available.
In all honesty I am almost more concerned with what will happen if we don't begin to roll something out..
My major concern is store and business stock being available to our local community. If the tourists are allowed to return will there be enough stock for the locals? Our stores barely handle us now. My fear is availability.
We are unable to keep our store shelves full without extra people.
Concerned that masks and distancing won't be upheld
In favor for slow implementation but only after stores are stocked sufficiently and this town can handle the influx of tourists. We are a tourist destination and I don't believe we've had our "share".
I will leave this who understand it better.
Just worried about all of the business owners here in town and praying they can hold out
Excited for reopening but concerns it won't go as planned or will be too soon. Could be great if people follow guidelines but know most will do what they want.
We need to make sure people are safe first
Many people in this area are not taking this seriously and do not get their information from reliable fact based sources.



SECTION 10. MISC ITEMS (including policy discussions & determinations)

GOLD BEACH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Agenda Item No. **10. b.**
Council Meeting Date: May 4, 2020

TITLE: DRAFT Business Sector Guidelines and Re-Opening Prerequisites

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:

Copies of the fed and state re-opening guidelines are attached. The state said they would have draft business sector guidelines for Phase I available the week of May 4th. They released some of those Phase I guidelines this week:

- General Guidance for the Public
- Oregon Guidance for Employers
- Guidance for Restaurants/Bars/Breweries/Tasting Rooms
- Guidance for Retail Stores
- Guidance for Outdoor Recreation Organizations
- Guidance for Child Care Sector

On Friday they released the prerequisites that would be required for a county/region to be allowed to start Phase I. In a press conference on Friday the Governor said the rural counties that met the prerequisites would be allowed to enter Phase I beginning May 15th. The seven prerequisites are:

- Declining prevalence of COVID19
- Minimum testing regime
- Contact tracing system
- Isolation facilities
- Finalized Statewide Sector guidelines
- Sufficient healthcare capacity
- Sufficient PPE supply

The prerequisite items will be provided to the state for verification from county Public Health Departments and local hospitals. The cities have offered to assist the county in whatever capacity we are able. It is our great hope that Curry County will be able to provide the needed prerequisites so that we can enter the Phase I stage.



DRAFT RE-OPENING GUIDELINES BY BUSINESS SECTOR

Phase One Reopening Guidance

General Guidance for the Public

- Stay home if you are sick.
- If you become symptomatic (cough, fever, shortness of breath) while in public, please self-isolate immediately and return home and contact your health care provider if you need medical attention.
- Individuals at risk for severe complications (over age 60 or have underlying medical conditions) should stay home to avoid exposure to COVID-19.
- Practice good hand hygiene with frequent handwashing for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer (60-95% alcohol content).
- Cover coughs/sneezes with elbow or tissue (immediately discard tissues in garbage and wash hands).
- Avoid touching your face.
- Practice physical distancing of at least six (6) feet between you and others not in your household.
- Use cloth face coverings in public, as appropriate. As Oregon is reopening and restrictions are being lifted on businesses and public spaces, it may be difficult to ensure that you can stay six (6) feet away from others at all times. We recommend that everyone have a cloth or paper face covering available to use in public settings.
- Stay close to home, avoid overnight trips and other non-essential travel. Travel the minimum distance needed to obtain essential services; avoid traveling further than 50 miles from home. In rural areas, residents may have to travel greater distances for essential services, while in urban areas, residents may only need to travel a few miles for those services.

Oregon Guidance for Employers on COVID-19

General considerations for your workplace:

- Comply with any of the [Governor's Executive Orders](#) that are in effect.
- Know the [signs and symptoms of COVID-19](#) and what to do if employees develop symptoms at the workplace.
- Understand how COVID-19 is transmitted from one person to another—namely, through coughing, sneezing, talking, touching, or via objects touched by someone with the virus.
- Make health and safety a priority by implementing safeguards to protect employees and the public. Federal and state guidelines, including sector-specific guidance, will help you determine which safeguards are recommended or are required, for example, use of personal protective measures such as face coverings or masks.
 - CDC has detailed [general guidance](#) to help small businesses and employees prepare for the effects of COVID-19.
 - Oregon's specific guidelines for the following sectors can be found at (X):
 - Health care
 - Transit
 - Retail
 - Childcare/Early childhood education
 - Personal services
 - Outdoor recreation
 - Restaurants
- Consider modifying employee schedules and travel to reduce unnecessary close physical contact (physical distance of less than (6) six feet between people)
- Be aware of protected leave requirements and plan ahead for any anticipated workforce adjustments.
- Consider keeping a record of name, contact information and date/time of visit for customers/visitors for purposes of contact tracing if needed. Businesses should inform customers/visitors of the reason the information is being collected and how the information will be used. *Example language: This business is collecting basic information to share with public health in the event a COVID-19 case is identified associated with this business.*

Modification of employee schedules and travel

Considerations for modifying employee schedules and travel as feasible:

- Identify positions appropriate for telework or partial telework, including consideration of telework for employees who are at higher risk for severe COVID-19 complications due to underlying medical conditions identified by the CDC.
- Stagger or rotate work schedules or shifts at worksites to ensure employees are able to sufficiently maintain physical distancing.
- Limit non-essential work travel.

Workplace safety

Implement workplace safeguards as feasible or when required See also sector-specific guidance here.

- Implement physical distancing measures consistent with the Governor's Executive Order and state guidance.
- Increase physical space between workers. This may include modifications such as markings on the floor demonstrating appropriate spacing or installing plexiglass shields, tables or other barriers to block airborne particles and maintain distances. Review and follow any sector-specific guidance issued by the state that recommends or requires specific physical distancing measures.
- Restrict use of any shared items or equipment and require disinfection of equipment between uses.
- Reinforce that meticulous hand hygiene (frequent and proper handwashing) is of utmost importance for all employees. Ensure that soap and water or alcohol-based (60-95%) hand sanitizer is provided in the workplace. Consider staging additional hand washing facilities and hand sanitizer for employees (and customer use, if applicable) in and around the workplace.
- Regularly disinfect commonly touched surfaces (workstations, keyboards, telephones, handrails, doorknobs, etc.) as well as high traffic areas and perform other environmental cleaning.
- Employers may encourage employee use of cloth face coverings as appropriate or indicated by sector-specific guidance.
- Consider upgrades to facilities that may reduce exposure to the coronavirus, such as no-touch faucets and hand dryers, increasing fresh-air ventilation and filtration or disinfection of recirculated air, etc. Consider touchless payment method when possible and if needed.
- Limit the number of employees gathering in shared spaces. Restrict use of shared spaces such as conference rooms and break rooms by limiting occupancy or staggering use.
- Restrict non-essential meetings and conduct meetings virtually as much as possible. If in-person meetings are necessary, follow physical distancing requirements.
- Consider regular health checks (e.g., temperature and respiratory symptom screening) or symptom self-report of employees, if job-related and consistent with business necessity.
- Consider health checks (e.g., temperature and respiratory symptom screening) or self-report of visitors entering businesses.
- Train all employees in safety requirements and expectations at physical worksites.

Employee leave and health insurance

Be aware of federal and state protected leave and paid leave laws (if applicable) and requirements for health insurance coverage:

- Advise employees to stay home and notify their employer when sick.
- Review and comply with any applicable requirements for maintaining employee health insurance coverage.
- Healthcare provider documentation is generally not required to qualify under federal and state leave laws due to COVID-19 related circumstances or to return to work.
- Review and comply with any applicable required federal and state leave law protections for employees who are unable to work due to COVID-19 related circumstances.
- Determine whether your business can extend paid or unpaid leave and if feasible adopt a temporary flexible time off policy to accommodate circumstances where federal or state law does not provide for protected or paid leave.

- Develop an action plan consistent with federal and state guidance if an employee develops symptoms while in the workplace, tests positive for COVID-19 or is determined to be presumptively positive by a public health authority.

Downsizing and layoffs

If downsizing or other workforce adjustment measures are necessary, adhere to applicable state and federal requirements regarding notice of layoffs and recalls for affected workers:

- Determine whether alternatives to layoff may be feasible such as furloughs or reduced schedules.
- Refer employees to resources including filing for unemployment benefits and community services.
- Create a plan for recalling employees back to work.

Union workplaces

If you have a unionized workforce, determine obligations to bargain with the union or unions which represent your employees.

Links to additional information:

For the most up to date information from Public Health and the CDC:

- <https://sharedsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served//LE2356.pdf>
- <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASESCONDITIONS/DISEASESAZ/Pages/emerging-respiratory-infections.aspx>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

For COVID-19 Guidance from the State and Federal Sources:

Resources for businesses and employers to plan, prepare, and respond to COVID-19, which is available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese and Korean: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/businesses-employers.html

- Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries: Coronavirus and Workplace Laws. <https://www.oregon.gov/boli/Pages/Coronavirus-and-Workplace-Laws.aspx>
- Department of Labor Guidance: Employer Paid Leave Requirements for Covid-19 related circumstances. <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-employer-paid-leave>
- General guidance for businesses and employers to help them plan, prepare, and respond to COVID-19: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html
- Workplace cleaning and disinfecting recommendations, including everyday steps, steps when someone is sick, and considerations for employers: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html
- Safety practices for exposures in the workplace:
 - Cleaning and disinfection practices post exposure: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/cleaning-disinfection.html>

- Safety practices for workers who may have had exposure to a person with COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/critical-workers/implementing-safety-practices.html>
- OSHA guidance on preparing workplaces for COVID-19:
 - Oregon OSHA: <https://osha.oregon.gov/Pages/re/covid-19.aspx> (English and Spanish links)
 - National OSHA: English: www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf, and Spanish: www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3992.pdf
- Oregon Employment Department: COVID-19 Related Business Layoffs, Closures, and Unemployment Insurance Benefits: https://govstatus.egov.com/ORUnemployment_COVID19
- COVID-19 insurance and financial services information: <https://dfr.oregon.gov/insure/health/understand/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

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Phase One Reopening Guidance

Sector: Restaurants/Bars/Breweries/Tasting Rooms

Specific Guidance for Restaurants, Bars, Breweries, Brewpubs, Wineries and Tasting Rooms

Distancing and Occupancy:

Businesses must:

- Ensure tables are spaced at least six (6) feet apart so that distancing of six (6) feet between parties is maintained, including when customers approach or leave tables. Businesses will need to determine seating configuration to comply with physical distancing requirements. If a business is unable to maintain at least six (6) feet of distance, it may operate only as pick up/to go service. This applies to both indoor and outdoor seating.
- Remove or restrict seating to meet the occupancy limit and to facilitate the requirement of at least six (6) feet of physical distance between people not in the same party.
- Limit number of customers on premises at one time, with a maximum restaurant occupancy of 50% of normal capacity as long as physical distancing requirements can be maintained.
- Limit parties to 10 people or fewer who have chosen to congregate together. People in the same party seated at the same table do not have to be six (6) feet apart.

Employees:

Businesses must:

- Minimize employee bare-hand contact with food through use of utensils. For Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA)-licensed facilities, no bare-hand contact with food is permitted per their licensing requirements.
- Reinforce that meticulous hand hygiene (frequent and proper handwashing) is of utmost importance for all employees, including chefs, line cooks and waitstaff.
- Have employees wear gloves when performing cleaning, sanitizing, or disinfecting activities. For other activities, non-ODA licensed facility employees are not required to wear gloves. Wearing gloves for activities that might overlap with food handling can foster cross-contamination. If businesses choose to have employees use gloves, they must use non-latex

gloves and must prevent cross-contamination by replacing gloves after touching faces or changing tasks (e.g., food preparation versus taking out garbage). See attached OHA guidance regarding glove use.

Operations:

Businesses must:

- Adhere to guidance outlined in this document as well as all applicable statutes and administrative rules to which the business is normally subject.
- All on-site consumption of food and drinks, including alcoholic beverages must end by 10 p.m.
- Prohibit customer self-service operations, including buffets, salad bars, soda machines and growler refilling stations.
- Disinfect customer-contact surfaces at tables between each customer/dining party including seats, tables, menus, condiment containers and all other touch points.
- Provide condiments, such as salt and pepper, ketchup, hot sauce and sugar, in single-service packets or from a single-service container. If that is not possible, condiment containers should not be pre-set on the table and must be disinfected between each customer or dining party. Disinfection must be done in a way that does not contaminate the food product (for example, do not use a spray device on a saltshaker).
- Not pre-set tables with tableware (napkins, utensils, glassware).
- Prohibit counter and bar seating. This applies to all facilities including bars, breweries and tasting rooms. Counter and bar ordering is acceptable if the operation finds that this decreases worker exposure. Counter ordering approach requires that food and alcohol are taken to a table that meets distancing requirements for consumption and at least six (6) feet of physical distance is maintained among customers and employees during the ordering process.
- Assure customers remain at least six (6) feet apart when ordering and floors must have designated spots for waiting in line. Signage should be posted as necessary to ensure that customers meet the requirements of this guidance.
- Frequently disinfect all common areas and touch points, including payment devices.
- Use menus that are single-use, cleanable between customers (laminated), online, or posted on a whiteboard or something similar to avoid multiple contact points.

- Prohibit use of karaoke machines, pool tables, and bowling at this time.
- For use of juke box and coin-operated arcade machines, same protocols should be followed as outlined for Video Lottery Terminals below.

To the extent possible, businesses should:

- Assign a designated greeter or host to manage customer flow and monitor distancing while waiting in line, ordering and during the entering and exiting process. Do not block egress for fire exits.
- Limit the number of staff who serve individual parties. Consider assigning the same employee to each party for entire experience (service, bussing of tables, payment). An employee may be assigned to multiple parties but must wash hands thoroughly or use hand sanitizer (60-95% alcohol content) when moving between parties.
- Assign employee(s) to monitor customer access to common areas such as a restroom to assure that customers do not congregate.
- Strongly encourage all employees and customers to wear cloth face coverings. Customers do not need to wear face coverings while seated at the table. If a business sets a policy that all employees and customers are required to wear cloth face coverings, business management should consult with their legal counsel to determine whether or not such a requirement can be enforced and whether or not the business will provide a cloth face covering when a customer does not bring their own.
- ~~Employers should provide an adequate number of cloth face coverings for all employees. Masks are recommended for employees. If servers can maintain six feet of distance in taking orders, for communication purposes, no masks required, but recommended.~~
- Encourage reservations or advise people to call in advance to confirm seating/serving capacity. Consider a phone reservation system that allows people to queue or wait in cars and enter only when a phone call or text, or a restaurant-provided “buzzer” device, indicates that a table is ready.
- Consider staging hand-washing facilities for customer use in and around the business. Hand sanitizer is effective on clean hands; businesses may make hand sanitizer (at least 60-95% alcohol-based content) available to customers. Hand sanitizer must not replace hand washing by employees.
- Post clear signage (available at healthoregon.org/coronavirus) listing COVID-19 symptoms, asking employees and customers with symptoms to stay home, and who to contact if they need assistance.

Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) Operations:

Businesses must:

- Place VLTs at least six (6) feet apart, if there is space to do so. If VLTs cannot be spaced at least six (6) feet apart, the Oregon Lottery may turn off VLTs in order to maintain required physical distance between operating machines and players.
- Require individuals to request VLT access from an employee before playing; an employee must then clean and disinfect the machine to allow play. A business must not allow access to VLTs or change VLTs without requesting access from an employee.
- Consider a player at a VLT machine the same as a customer seated for table service.
- Limit one player at or around a VLT.
- Note: Oregon Lottery will not turn on VLTs until the agency is satisfied that all conditions have been met.
- Review and implement [General Employer Guidance](#), as applicable.

Additional Resources:

- OHA Guidance for the General Public
- OHA General Guidance for Employers

Phase One Reopening Guidance

Sector: Retail

Specific Guidance for Retail Stores:

Retail stores are required to:

- Limit the number of customers in the retail store and focus on maintaining at least six (6) feet of distance between people and employees in the store. Store management should determine maximum occupancy to maintain at least six feet of physical distancing, taking into consideration areas of the store prone to crowding such as aisles, and limit admittance accordingly.
- Post clear signage (available at healthoregon.org/coronavirus) listing COVID-19 symptoms, asking employees and customers with symptoms to stay home, and who to contact if they need assistance.
- Use signage to encourage physical distancing.
- Frequently clean and sanitize work areas, high-traffic areas, and commonly touched surfaces in both customer/public and employee areas of store.

To the extent possible, retail stores should:

- Strongly encourage all employees and customers to wear cloth face coverings. If a store sets a policy that all employees and customers are required to wear cloth face coverings, store management should consult with their legal counsel to determine whether or not such a requirement can be enforced and whether they will provide cloth face coverings for those who do not bring their own.
- Consider placing clear plastic or glass barriers in front of cashiers or customer service counters, or in other places where maintaining six (6) feet of physical distance between employees and customers is more difficult.
- Encourage one-way flow with marked entrances and exits, but do not block egress for fire exits. Use signage to direct one-way flow of traffic.
- Use signage and tape on the floor to maintain physical distancing while waiting for cashiers.
- Review and implement [General Employer Guidance](#), as applicable.

Specific Guidance for Shopping Centers and Malls:

Shopping center and malls must:

- Keep any common area settings such as food courts and seating areas configured to support at least six (6) feet physical distance between parties (chairs, benches, tables).
- Determine maximum occupancy within the shopping center or mall to maintain at least six (6) feet physical distancing and limit admittance accordingly.
- Post signage at entrances, exits and common areas (seating areas, food courts, etc.) to discourage groups from congregating and remind customers and employees to keep six (6) feet of physical distance between individuals or parties while waiting.

To the extent possible, shopping centers and malls should:

- Designate specific entrances and exits to the shopping center or mall to constrain traffic flow and encourage physical distancing between customers. For entrances with a single door or single pair of doors, consider designating it entrance only or exit only if another entrance/exit exists and one-way flow through the area is feasible. Do not block egress for fire exits.

Additional Resources:

- OHA Guidance for the General Public
- OHA General Guidance for Employers

Additional State Resources Needed:

- Reopening checklist
- Symptoms and resource signage
- Signage to discourage gathering

Phase One Reopening Guidance

Sector: Outdoor Recreation

Specific Guidance for Outdoor Recreation Organizations:

Outdoor recreation organizations are required to:

- Prior to reopening after extended closure, ensure all parks and facilities are ready to operate and that all equipment is in good condition after the extended closure, according to any applicable maintenance and operations manuals and standard operating procedures.
- Prohibit parties from congregating in parking lots for periods longer than reasonable to retrieve/return gear and enter/exit vehicles.
- Reinforce the importance of maintaining at least six (6) feet of physical distance between parties (a group of 10 or fewer people) that arrived at the site together) on hiking trails, beaches and boat ramps through signage and education.
- Keep day-use areas that are prone to attracting crowds (including but not limited to playgrounds, picnic shelters, water parks and pools) and overnight use areas closed.
- Thoroughly clean restroom facilities at least twice daily and assure adequate sanitary supplies (soap, toilet paper, hand sanitizer) throughout the day. Restroom facilities that cannot be cleaned twice daily should be kept closed.
- Frequently clean and disinfect work areas, high-traffic areas, and commonly touched surfaces in both public and non-public areas of parks and facilities.
- Post clear signage (available at healthoregon.org/coronavirus) listing COVID-19 symptoms, asking employees and visitors with symptoms to stay home and who to contact if they need assistance.
- Keep any common areas such as picnic areas, day-use shelters, and buildings open to the public arranged so there is at least six (6) feet of physical distance between parties (chairs, benches, tables). Post clear signage to reinforce physical distancing requirements between visitors of different parties.

To the extent possible, outdoor recreation agencies should:

- Consider closing alternating parking spots to facilitate at least six (6) feet of physical distance between parties.

- Consider opening loop trails in a one-way direction to minimize close contact between hikers. Designate one-way walking routes to attractions if feasible.
- Encourage all employees and visitors to wear cloth face coverings when around others.
- Encourage the public to visit parks and recreation areas close to home, avoid overnight trips and not travel outside their immediate area (beyond 50 miles from home) for recreation. Visitors should bring their own food and hygiene supplies, as well as take their trash with them when they leave.
- Encourage the public to recreate with their own household members rather than with those in their extended social circles.
- Encourage the public to recreate safely and avoid traveling to or recreating in areas where it is difficult to maintain at least six feet from others not in their party.
- Position staff to monitor physical distancing requirements, ensure groups are no larger than 10 people, and provide education and encouragement to visitors to support adherence.
- Provide handwashing stations or hand sanitizer in common areas such as picnic areas, day-use shelters, and buildings open to the public.
- Consider placing clear plastic or glass barriers in front of cashiers or visitor center counters, or in other places where maintaining six (6) feet of physical distance between employees and visitors is more difficult.
- Review and implement [General Employer Guidance](#), as applicable.

Additional Resources:

- OHA Guidance for the General Public
- OHA General Guidance for Employers
- [CDC's Guidance for Administrators in Parks and Recreational Facilities](#)

Phase One Reopening Guidance

Sector: Child Care

Specific Guidance for Child Care Sector:

Child care providers must:

- Limit the number of children in rooms:
 - Registered Family Provider – may have up to stable ¹groups of 10 children
 - Certified Family (CF) Provider – may have up to stable groups of 16 children (two distinct stable groups maximum in separate rooms)
 - Certified Center – may have up to stable groups of 18-21 provided that the center has 50-square-feet per child in classroom, otherwise center must adopt a smaller group size
- Adjust staffing ratios with mixed ages, based on the youngest child in the group, to:
 - Six weeks to 23 months – 1:4, maximum stable group size is eight children
 - 24 to 35 months – 1:5, maximum stable group size is 10 children
 - 36 months to kindergarten – 1:6, maximum stable group size is 18 children
 - Kindergarten and up – 1:7, maximum stable group size is 21 children
- Comply with cohorting requirements:
 - Up to two (2) groups of children may be allowed in a classroom over the course of the day for an AM/PM model if adequate sanitization protocols can be implemented between classes, including sanitization of high-touch surfaces, toys and materials. Sanitization practices must be observed for shared bathrooms, playgrounds and eating spaces.
 - The same staff must stay with the same group each day/week and cannot interact in person with other staff or groups of children.
 - When “floater” staff provide break relief for classroom staff, the “floater” staff must wear cloth face coverings and wash hands between classrooms. A child care provider must provide cloth face coverings or disposable face coverings to “floater” staff.
- Maintain increased OHA-ELD [cleaning protocols](#) for surfaces, linens, electronics, toys.

¹ For purposes of this guidance, “stable” means the same group of children, and teacher and staff, are in the same group each day.

- For Registered and Certified Family Providers, additional sanitation requirements include:
- Keep a log with the following information for each child in care:
 - Child name
 - Parent/guardian name
 - Parent/guardian phone number
 - Date/time child was in care

To the extent possible, child care providers should:

- Prioritize care for families needing care due to essential infrastructure employment such as first responders, health care, grocery store employees, etc. This prioritization will be enforced for programs that are subsidized, and these programs must collect family employment type for children in their care.
- Permit child care provider staff to wear cloth face coverings if they choose.
- Review and implement [General Employer Guidance](#), as applicable.

Additional Resources:

- OHA Guidance for the General Public
- OHA General Guidance for Employers



GATING AND PREPAREDNESS PREQUISITES

PREREQUISITES FOR PHASED REOPENING OF OREGON

Each of these seven prerequisites must be met before a county or region can enter phase one of Reopening Oregon. While many of these prerequisites are set at the county level, some are set at the Health Region or Statewide level.

1. **Declining prevalence of COVID-19** (OHA detailed reference document: *"The Three Health Signs We Must See to Re-open Oregon"*)
 - a. The percentage of emergency department visits for COVID-19-like illnesses (CLI) are less than the historic average for flu at the same time of year.
 - b. A 14-day decline in COVID-19 hospital admissions.
 - c. This metric only applies to counties with more than 5 cases.

2. **Minimum Testing Regimen** (OHA detailed reference document: *"COVID-19 Strategic Testing Plan for Oregon"* and *"Oregon COVID-19 Testing and Contact Tracing Strategy"*)
 - a. Regions must be able to administer COVID-19 testing at a rate of 30 per 10,000 people per week. Regions must implement a testing regimen that prioritizes symptomatic persons and individuals who came into contact with a known COVID-positive person and includes testing of all people in congregate settings when there is a positive test. This includes long-term care facilities and county jails among others. The plan must include frequent tests of frontline and essential workers and industries where workers may not be able to practice optimal physical distancing (e.g., agricultural processing, meat packing).
 - b. Regions must maintain an appropriate number of testing sites to accommodate its population and must fully advertise where and how people can get tested. The region must work with local public health and OHA to use the collected data to track and trace the spread of the virus. Testing must be accessible to low-income and underserved communities.
 - c. This metric is measured at the Health Region level, not at the county level. An individual county cannot move into phase one if regional hospital capacity is beneath that level.

3. **Contact Tracing System** (OHA detailed reference document: *"Oregon's Plan to Stop the Spread of COVID-19"*, *"Oregon COVID-19 Testing and Contact Tracing Strategy"* and *"Interim Investigative Guidelines"*)
 - a. Counties must have a minimum of 15 contact tracers for every 100,000 people. Every county must be prepared to contact trace 95% of all new cases within 24 hours, with OHA certifying a county's readiness. The contract tracing workforce must be reflective of the region and be able to conduct tracing activities in a culturally appropriate way and in multiple languages as appropriate for the population.

4. Isolation Facilities

- a. Counties must have hotel rooms available for people who test positive for COVID-19 and who cannot self-isolate. The Department of Public Health at the Oregon Health Authority will provide support to local public health to identify needs and help with resources.

5. Finalized Statewide Sector Guidelines (OHA detailed reference documents: *sector-specific guidelines by sector*)

- a. Each sector must adhere to Oregon Health Authority statewide guidelines to protect employees and consumers, make the physical work space safer and implement processes that lower risk of infection in the business.

6. Sufficient Health Care Capacity (OHA detailed reference document: [“Guidance on resumption of non-emergent and elective procedures at hospitals”](#))

- a. To maintain the phased re-opening plan, each region must be able to accommodate a 20% increase in suspected or confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations compared to the number of suspected or confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations in the region at the time Executive Order No. 20-22 was issued.
- b. This metric is measured at the Health Region level, not at the county level. An individual county cannot move into phase one if regional hospital capacity is beneath that level.

7. Sufficient PPE Supply (OHA detailed reference document: [“Guidance on resumption of non-emergent and elective procedures at hospitals”](#))

- a. All hospitals in the health region must report PPE supply daily to OHA’s Hospital Capacity system. Large hospitals and health systems in the region must attest to a 30-day supply of PPE, and small or rural hospitals must have a 14-day supply. This metric is measured at the Health Region level, not at the county level.
- b. Counties must attest to sufficient PPE supply for first responders in the county.

Health Regions Defined:

Health region 1: Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, Multnomah, Clackamas

Health region 2: Yamhill, Polk, Lincoln, Benton, Marion, Linn

Health regions 3 & 5: Lane, Douglas, Coos, Curry, Jackson, Josephine

Health regions 6 & 9: Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Baker, Malheur

Health region 7: Jefferson, Deschutes, Crook, Wheeler, Grant, Klamath, Lake, Harney

Prerequisites Checklist

Each of these seven prerequisites must be met before a county or region can enter phase one of Reopening Oregon. While many of these prerequisites are set at the county level, some are set at the Health Region or Statewide level.

	County	Health Region	State
1. Declining prevalence of COVID-19	Not required if <5 cases		
a. The percentage of emergency department visits for COVID-19-like illnesses (CLI) are less than the historic average for flu at the same time of year.	NA	NA	REQUIRED Data to be provided on OHA web site.
b. A 14-day decline in COVID-19 hospital admissions.	REQUIRED if >5 cases	NA	Data to be provided on OHA web site.
2. Minimum Testing Regimen			
Regions able to administer testing at a rate of 30 per 10k per week	NA	REQUIRED	OHA will evaluate and approve at the region level
Sufficient testing sites accessible to underserved communities	NA	REQUIRED	OHA will evaluate and approve at the region level
3. Contact Tracing System			
County has 15 contact tracers per 100k people	REQUIRED		OHA will evaluate and approve at the county or region level
County contact tracing workforce is reflective of the county and able to work in needed languages	REQUIRED		OHA will evaluate and approve at the county or region level
County is prepared to trace 95% of all new cases within 24 hours	REQUIRED		OHA will evaluate and approve at the county or region level
4. Isolation Facilities			
Counties have hotel rooms available for those who cannot self-isolate	REQUIRED		OHA will support, evaluate and approve at the county or region level
Counties provide a narrative of how they will respond to three different outbreak situations in the county (e.g. nursing home, jail, food processing facility, farmworker housing, other group living situation)	REQUIRED		OHA will evaluate and approve. OHA can provide a list.
5. Finalized Statewide Sector Guidelines	NA	NA	REQUIRED OHA will finalize
6. Sufficient Health Care Capacity			
Region must be able to accommodate a 20% increase in hospitalizations	NA	REQUIRED	
7. Sufficient PPE Supply			
Hospitals in region are reporting PPE supply daily through HOSCAP		REQUIRED	OHA will certify
Hospitals in region must have a 14 or 30 day supply of PPE depending on their size and whether they are a rural hospital.	NA	REQUIRED Hospital leadership must attest in writing.	OHA will confirm receipt of hospital attestation.
Counties must have sufficient PPE for first responders.	REQUIRED		OHA will confirm receipt of county attestation.

County/region applications should be emailed to:

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SECTION 10. MISC ITEMS (including policy discussions & determinations)

GOLD BEACH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Agenda Item No. **10. c.**
 Council Meeting Date: May 4, 2020

**TITLE: Who Closed What and revisit Resolution R1920-12
 restricting visitor in short-term lodging**

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:

There is some confusion in the community about what the City has the authority to close/open and what the state has closed business wise. While we need to work with the County on the re-opening prerequisites to ensure our City businesses can get the yellow caution light on May 15th, the City doesn't have the authority to override any of the state closure orders.

The only City issued business restriction is the City's emergency declaration restricting short-term visitors which impacts the lodging sector—motels, RV Parks/Campgrounds, and vacation rentals. *(Please see later section of the report for further discussion)*

All other business sector closures or limitations were by executive order from the Governor. In date order those included (copies attached):

EO #	PROHIBITED OR LIMITED
20-05	Social, spiritual, recreational gatherings of 250 persons or more
20-07	On premise consumption/dining: Restaurants, bars, taverns, food courts, coffee shops, winebars, clubs
20-07	Social, spiritual, recreational gatherings of 25 people or more
20-08	Closure of public and private schools—initially thru April then extended for rest of 19-20 school year
20-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay Home, Save Lives order • Non-essential social and recreational gatherings outside of home or place of residence regardless of size if 6' distancing can't be maintained • Contact sports or outdoor recreation activities if 6' distancing can't be maintained • Long list of businesses and services—those applicable to Gold Beach: barber shops/hair salons, fraternal organizations, gym/fitness studios, boutiques unless they provide pick-up/delivery only, medical spas, facial spas, day spas, and non-medical massage therapy services; museums; nail and tanning salons; senior activity centers; social and private clubs; yoga studios



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work in offices is prohibited whenever telework and work-at-home options are available • state executive branch offices and buildings, to the maximum extent possible, shall close to the public and provide public services by phone and online during regular business hours • all private and public campgrounds to be closed immediately • immediate closure of all pools, skate parks, outdoor sports courts, and playground equipment areas • Individuals are directed to minimize travel, other than essential travel to or from a home, residence, or workplace; for obtaining or providing food, shelter, essential consumer needs, education, health care, or emergency services; for essential business and government services; for the care of family members, household members, elderly persons, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons, pets or livestock;
20-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The governing body of a public body (as defined by ORS 192.610(3) and (4)) shall hold public meetings and hearings by telephone, video, or through some other electronic or virtual means, whenever possible

EO 20-22 Allowed resumption of elective and non-urgent health care procedures effective May 1st.

A copy of the state guidelines chart of potential Phase I businesses is attached.

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CITY'S LODGING RESTRICTION-Resolution R1920-12 (attached)

The City adopted Resolution R1920-12 at an emergency meeting on March 24th. The resolution ordered all visitors to vacate the City by the morning of Friday the 27th. The visitor restriction had specific exemptions which included essential workers, delivery persons, victims of domestic abuse, persons "stranded" in town, and persons staying 30 days or more. The City of Brookings and Bandon adopted similar resolutions. Brookings extended their restrictions until May 30th, but said they would revisit the issue weekly (copy of their resolution attached). The Mayor of Bandon contacted the three city managers this week to say they after initially voting to reopen they closed visitor lodging again until May 11th after receiving a petition with about 850 names and numerous emails. She said they would be meeting on the 6th to hammer out the lodging re-opening details.

Curry County also adopted restrictions on short-term lodging in the unincorporated areas of county. They had intended to repeal those restrictions this past week, but tabled the issue until Wednesday the 6th. The three city mayors sent a joint letter to the Board of Commissioners last



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week requesting that they hold off on re-opening lodging in unincorporated Curry until we can get to the Phase I re-opening of the other businesses.

The three cities have been working on Best Management Practices (BMPs) COVID19 guidelines for our lodging properties so that all properties within the county would be operating under similar standards. The county declined to participate but said they would be encouraging their lodging properties to follow CDC cleaning recommendations. Our city BMPs include the CDC standards as well as standards from other state public health agencies and lodging operator associations. While these were not intended to be “law” in our respective cities, we will be encouraging the lodging operators to follow the BMPs to protect their workers and guests.

As mentioned in the citizen survey results report earlier, overwhelmingly the greatest concern for citizens was the tourists/visitors coming here when lodging re-opens and possibly bringing the virus from hot zones around the state. While lodging was not included in the Governor’s executive orders, we felt it would be reasonable to approach re-opening in a phased manner like the other business sectors. After discussions with each city, staff determined a possible phased approach to the lodging could be to open properties by a % of their rooms/spaces. A percentage range: 25%-50% of full occupancy could be a reasonable figure. The percentage was based on the availability of local supplies/resources and the still in-force Governor’s order for citizens to only travel for essential purposes. The need to “get out of town” or go on vacation during this health crisis is not essential travel. However, we all felt that it was likely that many Oregonians would continue to not comply with the non-essential travel restrictions and travel anyway. So best defense is a good offense.

If the County reopens their lodging on the 6th (and as of this date we have heard they intend to reopen at full capacity) that effectively negates our City restrictions as most out of town visitors aren’t going to know if properties are in the cities or unincorporated Curry. And the people staying at properties in unincorporated Curry will impact the stores in the 3 respective cities. One survey respondent had a good idea of **BYOE—Bring Your Own Everything**. If visitors intend to not comply with the non-essential travel restrictions, then they need to be aware they need to bring their own food/supplies so as not to impact us further by their noncompliance.

Staff needs direction on how the Council wishes to proceed this week regarding the lodging restriction resolution (copy attached). Brookings City Council will be discussing this same topic at their meeting tonight.



Phase One: Specific Types of Employers

**** NOTE:** Needs review by Oregon Health Authority, Governor's Medical Advisory Panel and local public health.

	Phase One – Federal proposal	Oregon Modifications Under Consideration**
Schools and organized youth activities	Remain closed	Additional childcare reopening in Phase One
Visits to hospitals and senior living facilities	Prohibited	
Large venues: sports, theaters, churches	“Strict physical distancing and sanitation protocols”	Likely remain closed during Phase One
Sit-down dining	“Strict physical distancing and sanitation protocols”	Work group to propose Phase One plan
Gyms	“Strict physical distancing and sanitation protocols”	Likely remain closed during Phase One
Bars	Remain closed	Work group to propose Phase One plan
Non-emergency procedures	“can resume, as clinically appropriate”	Oregon regional policy under review
Personal services	Not called out specifically	Work group to propose Phase One plan

RESOLUTION R1920-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLD BEACH, OREGON, FOR THE PURPOSE OF LIMITING TRANSMISSION OF COVID-19

WHEREAS, Governor Kate Brown, on March 8, 2020, declared a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 virus, finding that COVID-19 has created a threat to public health and safety, and constitutes a statewide emergency under ORS 401.025(1); and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization, on March 11, 2020, declared COVID-19 to be a pandemic that causes respiratory distress with the potential to cause serious illness and loss of life; and

WHEREAS, according to the Center for Disease Control, COVID-19 is spread mainly from person-to-person (a) between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) and (b) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs. As a result, the federal and state governments have taken measures to encourage and/or order individuals to maintain social distancing; and

WHEREAS, from March 14, 2020 through March 22, 2020 the City of Gold Beach experienced a heavy influx of visitors from outside the City; and

WHEREAS, visitors congregated throughout the City without following social distancing guidelines issued by state and federal health authorities and caused a depletion of critical resources such as food and supplies at local vendors; and

WHEREAS, many Gold Beach residents are retired and therefore the City's population skews older than the general population. As a result, the local population is more vulnerable to the deadly effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Gold Beach and the southern Oregon coast has limited medical resources, which further endangers the local population when there are large influxes of visitors during times of declared emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Gold Beach City Council believes an ongoing influx of visitors to the City poses a serious risk to the health and welfare of the local populations during the COVID-19 crisis; and

WHEREAS, ORS 401.309(2) provides that a city may carry out any activity to minimize the impact of emergency conditions during a declared emergency; and

WHEREAS, ORS 401.309(4) provides that a city may authorize officials to order an evacuation of residents or other individuals after a state of emergency is declared when necessary for public safety or when necessary to mitigate the effects of the emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Gold Beach City Council declared a state of emergency pursuant to ORS 401.309 and Section 5 of the City Charter by adopting Resolution R1920-12: A Resolution Declaring a Temporary State of Emergency Within the Boundaries of the City and Delegating Authority to the City Administrator, a copy of which is attached to this resolution as Exhibit A.

NOW THEREFORE, the Gold Beach City Council, resolves as follows:

Section 1: All overnight visitors within the City's jurisdiction are ordered to evacuate within twenty-four hours of the effective date of this Resolution and remain evacuated while this Resolution is in effect. A visitor is defined as any individual who is spending time in the City for pleasure, recreation or non-business reasons and is not a resident, property owner or business owner.

Section 2: Although not an exclusive list, this order **does not apply** to the following individuals:

- a. Local residents and property owners;
- b. Invitees of local residents and property owners; subject to Section 3, below;
- c. Local business owners;
- d. Employees of local business owners;
- e. Vendors, agents and service providers of local residents, property owners, and businesses;
- f. Essential workers, including but not limited to doctors, nurses and other health care workers, US Coast Guard members, delivery drivers and other persons providing essential services to the City; and
- g. People staying in lodging for medical purposes.

Section 3. Except as provided in Sections 2 and 4, Hotels/Motels, Inns, Bed and Breakfast establishments, temporary vacation rentals and short-term rentals are prohibited from operating while the City's emergency declaration is in effect.

Section 4. Notwithstanding Section 3 of this Resolution, all Hotels/Motels within the city limits of Gold Beach are permitted to provide services to only the following persons while the City's emergency declaration is in effect:

- a. Residents registered for longer than 30-days;
- b. Employees of a facility provided lodging at no cost as a requirement of their employment;
- c. Persons in lodging for medical reasons;
- d. Essential workers, including but not limited to doctors, nurses and other health care workers, US Coast Guard members, delivery drivers, utility crews, bar pilots, river pilots, and other persons providing essential services to the City.

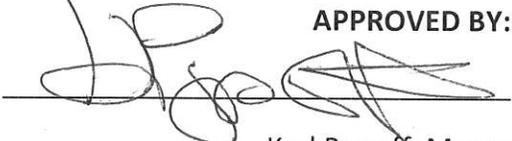
- e. Those persons “stranded” in Gold Beach.
stranded for the purposes of this resolution is defined as:
1. unable to leave due to mechanical failure of vehicle; or
 2. unable to leave due to financial reasons; or
 3. unable to leave due to documented disability; or
 4. Victims of domestic abuse; or
 5. unable to leave due to COVID19 closure in the person’s home city or state; or
 6. RV/camper owners that their vehicle is their primary residence and had arrived prior to the effective date of this resolution.

Section 5. Property owners and administrators of Hotels/Motels, Inns, Bed and Breakfast establishments, temporary vacation rentals and short-term rentals shall take all reasonable steps to terminate the occupancy of any transients not exempted by Section 4 of this Resolution no later than 8:00 am on Friday, March 27th, 2020.

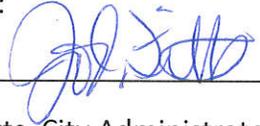
Section 6: This resolution is effective immediately and shall remain in effect for the duration of the emergency declaration Resolution R1920-12 (Exhibit A).

Section 7: The City Administrator is authorized to order a limit on the amount of a single transaction from a grocery store, drug store or other establishment selling critical or important supplies.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLD BEACH, COUNTY OF CURRY, STATE OF OREGON, and EFFECTIVE THIS 24TH DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

APPROVED BY:

Karl Popoff, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jodi Fritts, City Administrator/City Recorder

**CITY OF BROOKINGS
STATE OF OREGON**

RESOLUTION 20-R-1176

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BROOKINGS TEMPORARILY AND PARTIALLY RESTRICTING
THE RENTAL OF TRANSIENT LODGING FACILITIES TO CERTAIN PERSONS**

WHEREAS, the City of Brookings Council declared that a local State of Emergency exists for the City of Brookings under ORS 401.309 on March 23, 2020, Resolution 20-R-1174; and

WHEREAS, the Curry County Board of Commissioners declared that a local State of Emergency exists for Curry County under ORS 401.309 on March 18, 2020, Resolution No. R2020-08; and

WHEREAS, on March 8th, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-03, Declaration of Emergency due to Corona Virus (COVID-19) outbreak in Oregon; and

WHEREAS, on March 12th, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-05 Prohibiting Large Gatherings Due to Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak in Oregon; and

WHEREAS, on March 17th, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-06 Declaration of Abnormal Disruption of the Market due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 17th, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-07 Prohibiting On-Premises Consumption of Food or Drink and Gatherings of More Than 25 People; and

WHEREAS, on March 17th, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-08 School Closures and the Provision of School-based and Child Care Services in Response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 19th, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-09 Suspension of In-Person Instructional Activities at Higher Education Institutions in Response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 19th, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-10 Preserving Personal Protective Equipment and Hospital Beds, Protecting Health Care Workers, Postponing Non-urgent Health Care Procedures, and Restricting Visitation in Response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreaks; and

WHEREAS, on March 22nd, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-11 Enacting a Temporary Moratorium on Residential Evictions for Nonpayment in Response to Coronavirus (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on March 23rd, 2020, Oregon Governor Kate Brown moved Executive Order 20-12 Ordering Stay Home, Saves Lives: Ordering Oregonians to Stay at Home, Closing Specified Retail Businesses, Requiring Social Distancing Measures for Other Public and Private Facilities, and Imposing Requirements for Outdoor Areas and Licensed Childcare Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus (COVID-19) has greater health impacts to older populations and those with existing health conditions; and

WHEREAS, according to the US Census, Curry County's resident population of 50+ years of age is 55.7%, with a median age of 55.6 years; and

WHEREAS, according to the US Census, Curry County's resident population of 60+ years of age of full adults is 57.26%, having homes with at least one person 60+ years of age at 55.45%; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 Curry Health Risk Assessment by Advantage Health statistics show that Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (CLRD) is the third leading cause of death in Curry County; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Resolution, there have been no presumptive of positive cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19) identified in Curry County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brookings, Curry County, and our coastal communities have limited health care resources for in hospital patient care to treat Coronavirus (COVID-19) positive cases; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brookings and our coastal communities have limited supplies and resources for the needs of our residents or for people visiting our City and communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brookings resources are limited during this emergency time, along with first responder resources; and

WHEREAS, Governor Brown and the Oregon Health Authority have issued the Executive Orders listed above and protocols for state residents for social distancing and to stay home and stay healthy to reduce the spread and flatten the curve of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) as to not overwhelm the state's limited health care resources; and

WHEREAS, despite the Governor's "Stay Home" order, the City of Brookings and our coastal communities continue to experience an influx of visitors who are likely violating the Governor's order and the City has observed that such visitors commonly gather on the beach or in public in groups larger than ten people and such violations increase the risk of Coronavirus (COVID-19) spread in the City of Brookings, Curry County and our coastal communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brookings supports the long term success of our business community and encourages tourism, while recognizing that some business and tourism activities must be temporarily restricted because they encourage violations of Governor Brown's Executive Orders and violate the protocols from the Oregon Health Authority, in addition to adding stress on critical pandemic-fighting resources ; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brookings recognizes that during this time unlimited and increased Transient Lodging Facilities (TLF) rentals require increased housekeeping, laundry, maintenance, grocery-shopping, and other interactions, all of which increases the risk of virus spread; and

WHEREAS, the City has already asked Governor Brown to issue a similar restriction on TLF rentals and such restriction has not yet been issued; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor find that there is a causal nexus between a reasonable, temporary, and limited restriction of TLF rentals to certain persons and protecting the health, life, safety and welfare of the public while the successfully managing City resources during this pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor find that this reasonable, temporary, and limited restriction on certain TLF rentals is the least restrictive method of containing and minimizing our community's exposure to the virus in TLFs and in the visiting population;

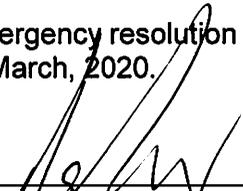
WHEREAS, the City desires to address the serious public health, life and safety emergency posed by the unlimited, unrestricted rentals of Transient Lodging Facilities within the City of Brookings to persons who are likely in violation of the Governor's "Stay Home" order; and

WHEREAS, the City reasonably expects that the influx of visitors to the City will soon increase due to school schedules, weekend travel, and Spring Break, thus increasing the risk of virus spread and likelihood of disease and death;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

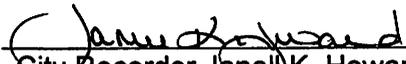
1. **Temporary, Partial Restriction on the Rental of Transient Lodging Facilities ("TLF").** Effective Friday, March 27, 2020 at 5:00 pm, the City of Brookings hereby temporarily restricts the rental of TLF's (which shall be defined as a "hotel" under Brookings Municipal Code 310.010A) until May 1st, 2020. Rental of TLFs during this time shall be limited to: persons in the trucking industry; victims of domestic violence; health care workers, government workers, first responders, and other persons deemed by the City, County or the State to be essential or necessary during the pandemic; persons seeking to use the TLF to responsibly quarantine themselves (if allowed by the TLF owner); and residents of the City of Brookings or any residents with a 97415 zip code
2. **Extension of Restriction by City Manager.** This temporary, partial restriction may be extended by the City Manager for up to one additional month as long as the Governor's "Stay Home" travel restrictions are similarly extended.
3. **Appeal.** TLF owners who wish to appeal this temporary, partial restriction may do so by providing, in writing, the following: 1) proof that a person not listed in Section 1 above has requested lodging during the Restriction time period; and 2) a showing that the TLF rental to such a person will not increase the risk of virus spread within the City. The Council hereby delegates to the City Manager the authority to make the final appeal decision. Such final appeal decision shall be provided in writing to the appellant within two business days.

Emergency resolution passed by the City Council March 26, 2020 ; dated and effective this 26th day of March, 2020.



Mayor Jake Piper

Attest:



City Recorder Janelle K. Howard



April 27, 2020

Dear Commissioners:

We, the three Mayors of the cities within Curry County, come to you respectfully to ask that you reconsider the Order to rescind your lodging restrictions resolution effective May 1st for the benefit of our mutual citizens. We feel it is imperative that all jurisdictions within the County are on the same page on this issue. Representative David Brock Smith, Chair of the Coastal Caucus, as you know is working with all the coastal counties to ensure we have a united and coordinated process of re-opening, because he, and the other coastal representatives, recognize that the coast has unique challenges that doesn't apply to other regions of the state.

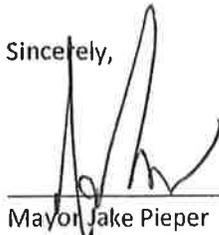
We appreciate that Ms. Schmelzer is working with the Curry Health District CEO, and the Public Health Officer to ensure the federal and state gating requirements can be quickly met so that we have the ability to enter Phase I as soon as the Governor gives the go ahead. In order to enter Phase I, we need to give ourselves and our businesses time to formulate and implement the measures to be put into place to meet those Federal and State re-opening guidelines. And we need to be able to do that without the distraction of non-compliant out-of-town visitors inundating our already reduced local resources.

During this health crisis we need to ensure that we are first able to serve our respective citizens, not tourists. Once we have a solid Phase I plan implemented and working well, then we can look forward to moving to Phase II when travel restrictions will be lifted.

We also understand the importance of getting businesses, including motels, open. The three cities are working together with the County Director of Operations and the Economic Development Manager to help businesses open as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration. We know we are all working hard to ensure the health of our citizens, as well as trying to assist our vital small businesses begin to return to successful operations. Thank you for your service to our Curry community.

Sincerely,



Mayor Jake Pieper



Mayor Karl Popoff



Mayor Tim Pogwizd



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State of Oregon

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-05

PROHIBITING LARGE GATHERINGS DUE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAK IN OREGON

On March 8, 2020, I declared an emergency under ORS 401.165 et seq. due to the public health threat posed by the novel infectious coronavirus (COVID-19).

On March 10, 2020, based on recommendations from the Oregon Health Authority, the Department of Human Services imposed restrictions and protective measures to limit visitors to long term care facilities to only essential personnel. · The Oregon Health Authority is taking similar measures at the Oregon State Hospital and in other behavioral health settings.

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization announced that COVID-19 is a global pandemic.

As of today, there are 21 presumptive or confirmed coronavirus cases in Oregon, and state and local public health officials have advised that the virus is circulating in the community and that they expect the number of cases to increase.

COVID-19 spreads person-to-person through coughing and sneezing, close personal contact, such as touching or shaking hands, or touching an object or surface with the virus on it, and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes. The symptoms are fever, cough and difficulty breathing.

Consistent with the mitigation strategies for communities recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) with regard to COVID-19, in order to slow the spread of the disease, and to protect the Oregonians who are at highest risk for contracting the disease, I find that immediate implementation of social distancing and community mitigation measures are necessary.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED THAT:

1. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a) and (d), ORS 401.175(1), and ORS 401.188(2), I am prohibiting large social, spiritual, and recreational gatherings of 250 people or more, statewide.
2. Gatherings subject to Paragraph 1 of this Executive Order include, but are not limited to, community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based, and sporting events, concerts, conventions, fundraisers, and any similar events or activities, if a distance of at least three (3) feet between individuals cannot be maintained.
3. Paragraph 1 of this Executive Order does not apply to school attendance, places of employment, grocery stores, or retail stores.
4. I delegate authority to the Oregon Health Authority and the Public Health Director to provide guidance regarding the types and categories of gatherings subject to this Executive Order.
5. Beginning on March 16, 2020, any person found to be in violation of this order is subject to the penalties described in ORS 401.990.

This Executive Order is in effect immediately and remains in effect until April 8, 2020, unless extended or terminated earlier by the Governor.

Done at Portland, Oregon this 12th day of March, 2020.

Kate Brown

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Bev Clarno

SECRETARY OF STATE

Executive Order 20-07

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Office of the Governor
State of Oregon

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-07

PROHIBITING ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION OF FOOD OR DRINK AND GATHERINGS OF MORE THAN 25 PEOPLE

On March 8, 2020, I declared an emergency under ORS 401.165 et seq. due to the public health threat posed by the novel infectious coronavirus (COVID-19).

On March 12, 2020, I issued Executive Order No. 20-05, prohibiting gatherings of 250 or more people statewide. I also announced a statewide closure of Oregon K- 12 schools from March 16, 2020, through March 31, 2020.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency.

On March 16, 2020, the Department of Human Services imposed its most recent protective measures to restrict visitors to long-term care facilities and other residential facilities. The Oregon Health Authority has adopted similar measures at the Oregon State Hospital and other behavioral health settings, and has limited admissions to the Oregon State Hospital. The Oregon Department of Corrections has suspended all visits to state prisons.

COVID-19 may cause respiratory disease leading to serious illness or death. The World Health Organization considers COVID-19 to be a global pandemic. COVID-19 spreads person-to-person through coughing, sneezing, close personal contact, including touching a surface with the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes.

State and local public health officials advise that the virus is circulating in the community and expect the number of cases to increase. The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that COVID-19 is most contagious when the individual is most symptomatic, but may also spread before symptoms appear. CDC recommends measures to limit spread of the disease in the community, including limitations on events and gatherings.

The number of presumptive or confirmed COVID-19 cases continues to rise in Oregon. On March 8, 2020, at the time I declared an emergency, there were 14 presumptive or confirmed cases in Oregon. By March 12, 2020, there were 21-. As of today, there are at

least 51 cases and one death.

In order to slow the spread of COVID-19, to protect Oregonians who are at highest risk for contracting the disease, and to help avoid overwhelming local and regional healthcare capacity, I find that immediate implementation of social distancing and community mitigation measures are necessary. The purpose of this Executive Order is to reduce person-to-person interaction with the goal of restricting transmission.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED THAT:

Prohibition on On-Premises Consumption of Food and Drink

1. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(1)-(3), restaurants, bars, taverns, brew pubs, wine bars, cafes, food courts, coffee shops, clubs, or other similar establishments that offer food or drink may not offer or allow on-premises consumption of food or drink. This prohibition applies statewide.
2. Establishments may offer food or drink for off-premises consumption (e.g., take-out or drive-through) or for delivery. Establishments offering such service must implement social distancing protocols of at least three (3) feet between customers ordering, waiting, or in line, consistent with guidance from the Oregon Health Authority. Establishments also must implement similar social distancing protocols for staff, whenever possible. Any sale of alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption must comply with ORS chapter 471 and any rules adopted thereunder.
3. Paragraph 1 of this Executive Order does not apply to health care facilities, child care facilities, workplaces, essential government buildings, essential emergency response facilities, essential school based food programs, and essential shelter and meal programs serving vulnerable populations. Such places are encouraged to use social distancing, staggered schedules, take-out, and other similar measures to reduce the risk associated with the spread of COVID-19.

Prohibition on Gatherings of 25 People or More

4. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(2), I am prohibiting social, spiritual, and recreational gatherings of 25 people or more. This prohibition applies statewide.

5. Gatherings subject to Paragraph 4 of this Executive Order include, but are not limited to, any community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based, and sporting events, concerts, conventions, fundraisers, fairs, festivals, and any similar events or activities, if a distance of at least three (3) feet between individuals cannot be maintained.

6. Paragraph 4 of this Executive Order does not apply to essential businesses and services, including but not limited to workplaces, grocery stores, retail stores, convenience stores, banks and credit unions, gas stations, hotels or motels, health care facilities, pharmacies, child care facilities, and state or local government. It also does not apply to schools, which are subject to other prior directives regarding statewide school closures. Exempt businesses and services are nonetheless encouraged to implement social distancing protocols, consistent with guidance from the Oregon Health Authority.

7. Executive Order No. 20-05 (prohibition on large gatherings) is rescinded, and replaced by the directives in this Executive Order.

Effective Date and Enforcement

8. This Executive Order is in effect as of 5:00 p.m. on March 17, 2020, and remains in effect through April 14, 2020, unless extended or terminated earlier by the Governor.

9. This Executive Order is a public health law, as defined in ORS 43 1A.005, and may be enforced as permitted under ORS 431A.010. Additionally, any person found to be in violation of this Executive Order is subject to the penalties described in ORS 401.990.

10. Individuals and businesses are strongly encouraged to comply with the terms and spirit of this Executive Order, so law enforcement can focus on serving vital needs in our communities during the ongoing emergency.

Done at Portland, Oregon this 17th day of March, 2020.

Kate Brown

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Bev Clarno

SECRETARY OF STATE

Executive Order 20-08

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State of Oregon

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-08

SCHOOL CLOSURES AND THE PROVISION OF SCHOOL-BASED AND CHILD CARE SERVICES IN RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAK

On March 8, 2020, I declared an emergency under ORS 401.165 *et seq.* due to the public health threat posed by the novel infectious coronavirus (COVID-19).

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization announced that COVID-19 is a global pandemic.

On March 12, 2020, I directed public schools to remain closed statewide, from March 16, 2020, through at least March 31, 2020, to help contain the spread of COVID-19 in communities across the state.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency.

On March 16, 2020, the Department of Human Services imposed its most recent protective measures to restrict visitors to long-term care facilities and other residential facilities. The Oregon Health Authority has adopted similar measures at the Oregon State Hospital and other behavioral health settings, and has limited admissions to the Oregon State Hospital. The Oregon Department of Corrections has suspended all visits to state prisons.

COVID-19 may cause respiratory disease leading to serious illness or death. The World Health Organization considers COVID-19 to be a global pandemic. COVID-19 spreads person-to-person through coughing, sneezing, close personal contact, including touching a surface with the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes.

State and local public health officials advise that the virus is circulating in the community and expect the number of cases to increase. The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that COVID-19 is most contagious when the individual is most symptomatic, but may also spread before symptoms appear. CDC recommends measures to limit spread of the disease in the community, including limitations on events and gatherings.

The number of presumptive or confirmed COVID-19 cases continues to rise in Oregon. On March 8, 2020, at the time I declared an emergency, there were 14 presumptive or confirmed cases in Oregon. By March 12, 2020, there were 21. As of today, there are at least 65 cases and one death.

Consistent with the mitigation strategies recommended by CDC with regard to COVID-19, in order to slow the spread of the disease, and to protect Oregonians at the highest risk of contracting the disease, I find it is necessary to immediately implement additional measures for schools. I also recognize that school closures disproportionately impact Oregon's most vulnerable children and their families. Action is necessary to minimize disruptions caused by school closures on Oregon's health care system, first responders, and emergency workers.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED:

1. For purposes of this Executive Order, "public schools" include schools within a school district, educational service district, or public charter, as defined by ORS 330.003(3), ORS 330.005(2), ORS 334.003(2), and ORS 338.005(2). Tribal and private schools are not subject to this Executive Order.
2. This Executive Order confirms and extends my prior directive of March 12, 2020, regarding public school closures, made pursuant to my powers as Superintendent of Public Instruction, and my emergency powers under ORS 433.441(3)(a) and (d), ORS 401.175(1), and ORS 401.188(2) and (3). All public schools shall close to students from March 16, 2020, through April 28, 2020 ("closure period"), unless that period is extended or terminated earlier by the Governor.
3. Pursuant to my emergency powers under ORS 401.168(1), ORS 401.175(1); ORS 401.188(2) and (3), and ORS 401.192(1), it is ordered that public schools that close pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Executive Order for the closure period shall continue to receive allocations from the State School Fund, as if they had been actually in session during the closure period.
4. In order to receive allocations from the State School Fund during the closure period mandated by paragraph 2 of this Executive Order, public schools shall:

(a) Continue delivering supplemental education and learning supports to students to the extent practical through independent study and other appropriate options.

(b) Provide school meals in non-congregate settings through the Summer Food Service Program and Seamless Summer Option, consistent with requirements provided by the Oregon Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Transportation grant funds from the State School Fund may be used by public schools for delivery of meals in non-congregate settings to eligible school sites using school district transportation services.

(c) Provide for supplemental services and emergency management services, including but not limited to, the provision of child care for first responders, emergency workers, health care professionals, and other individuals, consistent with any guidance and requirements provided by the Oregon Department of Education. Public schools may use transportation grant funds from the State School Fund for school district transportation services to support the transportation of children to and from school-based child care.

(d) Develop plans for the operation of essential, non-educational services, including food services, to students and families.

(e) Continue to regularly pay all employees of public schools. A public school subject to this Executive Order may require school employees to report to work to assist with the provision of supplemental services and emergency management activities.

5. The Oregon Department of Education shall provide further guidance to public schools regarding the directives set forth in paragraph 4 of this Executive Order, as necessary.

6. The Oregon State Board of Education, in collaboration with the Oregon Department of Education, shall engage in any temporary rulemaking necessary to facilitate the directives in this Executive Order, and the ability of public schools to respond to the ongoing emergency. Rulemaking shall include, but not be limited to, amendment of the instructional time requirements of OAR 581-022-1620.

7. The Oregon Department of Education, the Oregon Health Authority, and the Department of Human Services are directed to provide guidance to school districts and communities to ensure continuity of mental health services to children and their families.

8. The Oregon Department of Education, Early Learning Division, and the Department of Human Services are directed to collaborate and align resources to support and ensure the reimbursement for, continuity of, and availability of care provided by family-based, center-based, and license-exempt child care providers.

9. In consultation with the Early Learning Council, the Early Learning System Director is hereby directed and authorized to waive, suspend, or amend existing administrative rules pertaining to child care, and to establish requirements for emergency child care, pursuant to paragraph 4(c) of this Executive Order.

10. Nothing in this Executive Order should be construed to require public school employees in at-risk categories, or public school employees who have an at-risk member of their household, to take action inconsistent with public health recommendations or the advice of the employee's physician.

This Executive Order is issued under the authority conferred to the Governor by ORS 401.165 to 401.236. Pursuant to ORS 401.192(1), the directives set forth in this Executive Order shall have the full force and effect of law, and any existing laws, ordinances, rules and orders shall be inoperative to the extent they are inconsistent with this exercise of the Governor's emergency powers.

Done at Portland, Oregon this 17th day of March, 2020.

Kate Brown

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Bev Clarno

SECRETARY OF STATE

Executive Order 20-12

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-12

STAY HOME, SAVE LIVES: ORDERING OREGONIANS TO STAY AT HOME, CLOSING SPECIFIED RETAIL BUSINESSES, REQUIRING SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES FOR OTHER PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FACILITIES, AND IMPOSING REQUIREMENTS FOR OUTDOOR AREAS AND LICENSED CHILDCARE FACILITIES

On February 28, 2020, I appointed the State of Oregon's Coronavirus Response Team.

On February 29, 2020, the Department of Human Services issued strict guidelines, restricting visitation at congregated care facilities, including nursing homes.

On March 2, 2020, the State of Oregon Emergency Coordination Center was activated.

On March 8, 2020, I declared an emergency under ORS 401.165 et seq. due to the public health threat posed by the novel infectious coronavirus (COVID-19).

On March 12, 2020, I prohibited gatherings of 250 or more people, and announced a statewide closure of Oregon K-12 schools from March 16, 2020, through March 31, 2020.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency.

On March 16, 2020, the Department of Human Services imposed its most recent protective measures to restrict visitors to long-term care facilities and other residential facilities. The Oregon Health Authority has adopted similar measures at the Oregon State Hospital and other behavioral health settings and has limited admissions to the Oregon State Hospital. The Oregon Department of Corrections has suspended all visits to state prisons.

On March 17, 2020, I prohibited gatherings of 25 or more people, banned on-site consumption of food and drink at food establishments statewide, and extending school closures until April 28, 2020. I also encouraged all businesses not subject to the prohibitions to implement social distancing protocols.

On March 18, 2020, I suspended in-person instructional activities at higher education institutions through April 28, 2020.

On March 19, 2020, I ordered the postponement of non-urgent health care procedures, in order to conserve personal protective equipment and hospital beds for the state's COVID-19 emergency response efforts. I also directed the Oregon Health Authority to provide guidance regarding limitations and screening for visitors to hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers.

COVID-19 may cause respiratory disease leading to serious illness or death. The World Health Organization considers COVID-19 to be a global pandemic. COVID-19 spreads person-to-person through coughing, sneezing, and close personal contact, including touching a surface with the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes.

To reduce spread of COVID-19, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has recommended community mitigation strategies to increase containment of the virus and to slow transmission of the virus, including cancellation of gatherings of people and social distancing in smaller gatherings.

State and local public health officials advise that the virus is circulating in the community and expect the number of cases to increase. The CDC reports that COVID-19 is most contagious when the individual is most symptomatic but may also spread before symptoms appear.

The number of COVID-19 cases continues to rise in Oregon. On March 8, 2020, at the time I declared an emergency, there were 14 presumptive or confirmed cases in Oregon. By March 12, 2020, there were 21. As of today, there are at least 161 cases and five deaths.

In a short time, COVID-19 has spread rapidly. Additionally, some Oregonians are not adhering to social distancing guidance provided by the Oregon Health Authority, as represented by crowds this last weekend at the Oregon Coast, Smith Rock State Park, the Columbia River Gorge, and other places around the state. To slow the spread of COVID-19 in Oregon, to protect the health and lives of Oregonians, particularly those at highest risk, and to help avoid overwhelming local and regional healthcare capacity, I find that immediate implementation of additional measures is necessary. The purpose of this Executive Order is to reduce person-to-person interaction with the goal of slowing transmission.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED THAT:

Stay Home, Save Lives

1. It is essential to the health, safety, and welfare of the State of Oregon during the ongoing state of emergency that, to the maximum extent possible, individuals stay at home or at their place of residence, consistent with the directives set forth in my Executive Orders and guidance issued by the Oregon Health Authority. To that end, pursuant to ORS 433.441(3), ORS 401.168(1), ORS 401.175(3), and ORS 401.188(2) to (3), I am ordering the following:

a. Non-essential social and recreational gatherings of individuals outside of a home or place of residence (e.g., parties, celebrations, or other similar gatherings and events) are prohibited immediately, regardless of size, if a distance of at least six feet between individuals cannot be maintained.

b. Individuals are prohibited from patronizing businesses that are closed pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Executive Order, and from engaging in conduct prohibited by prior Executive Orders or inconsistent with guidance provided by the Oregon Health Authority.

c. When individuals need to leave their homes or residences, they should at all times maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any person who is not a member of their immediate household, to the greatest extent possible, and comply with the other Social Distancing Requirements guidance issued by the Oregon Health Authority.

d. Individuals may go outside for outside recreational activities (walking, hiking, etc.), but must limit those activities to non-contact, and are prohibited from engaging in outdoor activities where it is not possible to maintain appropriate social distancing (six feet or more between individuals).

e. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Executive Order constitutes an imminent threat and creates an immediate danger to public health. Any person found to be in violation of this Executive Order is subject to the penalties described in ORS 401.990.

Closure of Certain Businesses

2. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(1) to (3), and effective 12:01 a.m. on March 24, 2020, I prohibit the operation of the following businesses, for which close personal contact is difficult or impossible to avoid:

Amusement parks; aquariums; arcades; art galleries (to the extent that they are open without appointment); barber shops and hair salons; bowling alleys; cosmetic stores; dance studios; esthetician practices; fraternal organization facilities; furniture stores; gyms and fitness studios (including climbing gyms); hookah bars; indoor and outdoor malls (i.e., all portions of a retail complex containing stores and restaurants in a single area); indoor party places (including jumping gyms and laser tag); jewelry shops and boutiques (unless they provide goods exclusively through pick-up or delivery service); medical spas, facial spas, day spas, and non-medical massage therapy services; museums; nail and tanning salons; non-tribal card rooms; skating rinks; senior activity centers; ski resorts; social and private clubs; tattoo/piercing parlors; tennis clubs; theaters; yoga studios; and youth clubs.

3. Paragraph 2 of this Executive Order does not apply to restaurants, bars, taverns, brew pubs, wine bars, cafes, food courts, coffee shops, or other similar establishments that offer food or drink, which remain subject to Executive Order No. 20-07 (prohibiting on-premises consumption of food or drink, but allowing take-out or delivery service).

4. Indoor and outdoor malls, and other businesses subject to paragraph 2 of this Executive Order, are not prohibited from operating to provide food, grocery, health care, medical, pharmacy, or pet store services.

5. Subject to approval by the Governor, the Oregon Health Authority has the authority to determine if additional business closures are necessary to slow the spread of COVID-19 during the ongoing state of emergency.

Required Social Distancing for Other Retail Businesses

6. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(1) to (3), and effective 12:01 a.m. on March 24, 2020, I prohibit the operation of any other retail business not subject to paragraph 2 of this Executive Order, unless the business designates an employee or officer to establish, implement, and enforce social distancing policies, consistent with guidance from the Oregon Health Authority.

7. Retail businesses that fail to comply with paragraph 6 of this Executive Order will be closed until they demonstrate compliance.

8. Paragraphs 6 and 7 of this Executive Order do not apply to grocery, health care, medical, or pharmacy services, which also are encouraged to comply with social distancing guidelines.

Workspace Restrictions

9. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(1) to (3), and effective March 25, 2020, all businesses and nonprofit entities with offices in Oregon shall facilitate telework and work-at-home by employees, to the maximum extent possible. Work in offices is prohibited whenever telework and work-at-home options are available, in light of position duties, availability of teleworking equipment, and network adequacy.

10. When telework and work-from-home options are not available, businesses and non-profits must designate an employee or officer to establish, implement, and enforce social distancing policies, consistent with guidance from the Oregon Health Authority. Such policies also must address how the business or non-profit will maintain social distancing protocols for business-critical visitors.

11. Businesses and non-profits that fail to comply with paragraphs 9 and 10 of this Executive Order will be closed until they demonstrate compliance.

Government Buildings

12. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(1) to (3), and effective March 25, 2020, all state executive branch offices and buildings, to the maximum extent possible, shall close to the public and provide public services by phone and online during regular business hours. To the extent that closure is not feasible, in-person interactions between staff and the public should be by appointment, whenever possible. When public services require in-person interactions, social distancing measures must be established, implemented, and enforced, to the maximum extent possible.

13. State executive branch offices and buildings shall facilitate telework and work-at-home by employees, to the maximum extent possible. When telework and work-from-home options are not possible, agencies must designate an employee or officer to establish, implement, and enforce social distancing policies, consistent with guidance from the Oregon Health Authority.

14. Paragraphs 12 and 13 of this Executive Order apply to all offices and buildings owned or occupied by the state executive branch. This Executive Order does not apply to offices and buildings owned or occupied by the state legislative and judicial branches, federal government, local governments, and tribal governments, but those governments are nonetheless strongly encouraged to adhere to the policies underlying these directives.

Childcare Facilities

15. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a) and (d), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(2) and (3), it is ordered that any childcare facility licensed under ORS 329A.030 and ORS 329A.250 to ORS 329A.450 that does not meet the requirements of paragraph 16 of this Executive Order shall close from March 25, 2020, through April 28, 2020 ("effective period"), unless that period is extended or terminated earlier by the Governor.

16. Notwithstanding paragraph 15, childcare facilities are allowed to remain open during the effective period if they meet the following requirements:

- a. Childcare must be carried out in maximum stable groups of 10 or fewer children ("stable" means the same 10 or fewer children are in the same group each day), and in a classroom that cannot be accessed by children outside the stable group; and
- b. Facilities must prioritize the childcare needs of first responders, emergency workers, health care professionals, followed by critical operations staff and essential personnel, consistent with guidance provided by the Oregon Department of Education, Early Learning Division.

17. I delegate authority to the Oregon Department of Education, Early Learning Division, to set forth exceptions to the rules provided by paragraph 16 of this Executive Order, if it becomes necessary to do so.

Outdoor Recreation and Travel

18. Pursuant to the powers vested in me by ORS 433.441(3), ORS 401.168(1) and (3), and ORS 401.188(1) to (3), I hereby order all private and public campgrounds to be closed immediately. This order does not prohibit camp hosts or veterans from remaining in state campgrounds, nor does it extend to RV parks and other housing.

19. I authorize the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department to close any property or facility, when proper social distancing cannot be maintained.

20. I order the immediate closure of all pools, skate parks, outdoor sports courts, and playground equipment areas.

21. For public recreational areas that are permitted to remain open subject to this Executive Order, signs requiring social distancing must be posted at all entrances, exits, and in prominent areas. On-site restrooms must have trash cans, and soap and water or hand sanitizer available. Users of open public recreational areas must strictly adhere to social distancing guidelines.

22. Individuals are directed to minimize travel, other than essential travel to or from a home, residence, or workplace; for obtaining or providing food, shelter, essential consumer needs, education, health care, or emergency services; for essential business and government services; for the care of family members, household members, elderly persons, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons, pets or livestock; travel as directed by government officials, law enforcement, or courts; and other essential travel consistent with the directives of my Executive Orders and guidance from the Oregon Health Authority.

Enforcement

23. The directives in this Executive Order are effective statewide.

24. This Executive Order is a public health law, as defined in ORS 43 1A.005, and may be enforced as permitted under ORS 43 1A.0 10. Additionally, any person found to be in violation of this Executive Order is subject to the penalties described in ORS 401.990.

This Executive Order is issued under the authority conferred to the Governor by ORS 401.165 to 401.236. Pursuant to ORS 401.192(1), the directives set forth in this Executive Order have the full force and effect of law, and any law, ordinances, rules and orders shall be inoperative to the extent that they are inconsistent with this exercise of the Governor's emergency powers.

This Executive Order is effective immediately, and remains in effect until terminated by the Governor.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 23rd day of March, 2020.

Executive Order 20-16

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EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-16

KEEP GOVERNMENT WORKING: ORDERING NECESSARY MEASURES TO ENSURE SAFE PUBLIC MEETINGS AND CONTINUED OPERATIONS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS DURING CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAK

On February 28, 2020, I appointed the State of Oregon's Coronavirus Response Team.

On February 29, 2020, the Department of Human Services issued strict guidelines, restricting visitation at congregated care facilities, including nursing homes.

On March 2, 2020, the State of Oregon Emergency Coordination Center was activated.

On March 8, 2020, I declared an emergency under ORS 401.165 et seq. due to the public health threat posed by the novel infectious coronavirus (COVID-19).

On March 12, 2020, I prohibited gatherings of 250 or more people, and announced a statewide closure of Oregon K-12 schools from March 16, 2020, through March 31, 2020.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency.

On March 17, 2020, I prohibited gatherings of 25 or more people, banned on-site consumption of food and drink at food establishments statewide, and extended school closures until April 28, 2020. I also encouraged all businesses not subject to the prohibitions to implement social distancing protocols.

On March 18, 2020, I suspended in-person instructional activities at higher education institutions through April 28, 2020.

On March 22, 2020, I imposed a temporary moratorium on residential evictions for nonpayment, prohibiting law enforcement from serving, delivering, or acting on any notice, order or writ of termination of tenancy, relating to residential evictions for nonpayment.

On March 23, 2020, I ordered Oregonians to "Stay Home, Save Lives," directing individuals to stay home to the greatest extent possible, ordering the closure of specified retail businesses, requiring social distancing measures for other public and private facilities, and

imposing requirements for outdoor areas and licensed childcare facilities.

On April 1, 2020, I imposed a temporary moratorium on the termination of residential and nonresidential rental agreements and evictions for nonpayment, to ensure that individuals can stay at home to the greatest extent possible, and to ensure the provision of necessary goods and services during this emergency.

On April 8, 2020, I announced that school closures and the suspension of in-person instructional activities at higher education institutions would be extended through the end of the current academic term and school year.

COVID-19 may cause respiratory disease leading to serious illness or death. The World Health Organization considers COVID-19 to be a global pandemic. COVID-19 spreads person-to-person through coughing, sneezing, and close personal contact, including touching a surface with the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes.

State and local public health officials advise that the virus is circulating in the community and expect the number of cases to increase. The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that COVID-19 is most contagious when the individual is most symptomatic, but may also spread before symptoms appear. CDC recommends measures to limit spread of the disease in the community, including limitations on events and gatherings.

The number of COVID-19 cases continues to rise in Oregon. On March 8, 2020, at the time I declared an emergency, there were 14 presumptive or confirmed cases in Oregon. As of today, there are at least 1,663 confirmed cases and 58 deaths.

In a short time, COVID-19 has spread rapidly. To slow the spread of COVID-19 in Oregon, and to protect the health and lives of Oregonians, particularly those at highest risk, I find that immediate implementation of additional measures is necessary to protect the health, safety, and the financial stability of all Oregonians.

During this emergency, state and local governments must continue to operate, provide essential services, and make decisions in a public and transparent manner. Governments must do so safely, consistent with my emergency directives. Public participation is essential to the functioning of our state and local governments, but in-person attendance at public meetings presents a risk to the public health and safety of Oregonians, unless appropriate measures are taken. Thus, during this emergency, public meetings should be held via telephone, video, electronic or other virtual means, whenever possible, to keep Oregonians safe, and to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. Likewise, local governments need to be able to hold budget meetings in a way that comports with my stay-at-home directives, so they can complete their upcoming budget processes and ensure continued delivery of essential government services.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED THAT:

Pursuant to ORS 433.441, ORS 401.168, ORS 401.175, ORS 401.188, and ORS 401.192, I am issuing the following directives, which authorize state and local governments to take necessary measures to ensure continued operations, public participation in decision-making, and the provision of essential government services in a safe manner during the COVID-19 outbreak:

1. Definition. "COVID-19 emergency period" means the period during which the COVID-19 state of emergency declared by Executive Order 20-03 is in effect, including any extensions of that state of emergency.

2. Public Meetings. During the COVID-19 emergency period:

a. The governing body of a public body (as defined by ORS 192.610(3) and (4)) shall hold public meetings and hearings by telephone, video, or through some other electronic or virtual means, whenever possible. For all public meetings and hearings held by telephone, video, or through other electronic or virtual means, the public body shall make available a method by which the public can listen to or virtually attend the public meeting or hearing at the time it occurs, and the public body does not have to provide a physical space for the public to attend the meeting or hearing. This paragraph does not apply to executive sessions, as defined by ORS 192.610(2).

b. When public meetings or hearings of a governing body of a public body cannot be held by telephone, video, or through some other electronic or virtual means pursuant to paragraph 2(a) of this Executive Order, persons attending those meetings must maintain appropriate social distancing (six feet or more between individuals), to the maximum extent possible.

c. Any requirements by law or policy that testimony during a public meeting or hearing be taken in person do not apply if the public body provides an opportunity for submission of testimony by telephone, video, or through some other electronic or virtual means, or provides a means of submitting written testimony, including by email or other electronic methods, that the public body may consider in a timely manner. This paragraph does not apply to contested case hearings held pursuant to ORS chapter 183.

d. Unless otherwise required by law, a quorum of the governing body of a public body and the number of its members required for an affirmative act consists of a majority of its members, excluding those unable to attend because of illness due to COVID-19.

3. Local Budget Meetings. During the COVID-19 emergency period:

- a. Any requirement under ORS 294.305 to 294.565, or ORS 294.900 to 294.930, to provide members of the public or taxpayers an opportunity to ask questions and comment, or to appear before or meet with, or to attend a hearing of, either a budget committee established under ORS 294.414 or ORS 294.905, or the governing body of a municipal corporation as defined by ORS 294.311) or council of local governments (as defined by ORS 294.900), may be satisfied by providing a method of appearing or meeting by telephone, video, or other electronic methods and by also providing a means of submitting written communications, including email or other electronic methods, that the committee or governing body may consider in a timely manner.
- b. Publication of any notice, summary, or other document required under ORS 294.305 to 294.565, or ORS 294.900 to 294.930, may be satisfied by posting the notice, summary, or other document in a prominent manner on the internet.
- c. If the public health threat underlying the COVID-19 state of emergency, or compliance with an Executive Order issued pursuant to ORS 401.165 to 401.236 in connection with that emergency, causes a municipal corporation to fail to comply with ORS 294.305 to 294.565 or ORS 294.900 to 294.930, then, notwithstanding ORS 294.338(1) or any other law, the municipal corporation may make reasonable expenditures for the continued operation of the municipal corporation within its existing or most recently adopted budget, provided it cures any failure to comply with ORS 294.305 to 294.565 or ORS 294.900 to 294.930 as soon as reasonably practicable.
- d. Any requirement of the tax supervising and conservation commission to conduct a hearing under ORS 294.640 or 294.655 may be satisfied by providing a method of appearing or meeting by telephone, video, or other electronic methods, and by also providing a means of submitting written communications, including email or other electronic methods, that the commission may consider in a timely manner before making any objection, recommendation, certification, or order regarding a municipal corporation's proposed budget, special tax levy, or bond issue.
- e. The certification requirements specified in ORS 221.770(1)(b) and (c) may be satisfied by holding a hearing and allowing written comment in accordance with paragraph 3(a) of this Executive Order, and by making certification to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services as soon as reasonably practicable upon adoption of the budget.

This Executive Order is issued under the authority conferred to the Governor by ORS 401.165 to 401.236. Pursuant to ORS 401.192(1), the directives set forth in this Executive Order shall have the full force and effect of law, and any existing laws, ordinances, rules and

orders shall be inoperative to the extent they are inconsistent with this exercise of the Governor's emergency powers.

This Executive Order is effective immediately, and remains in effect until terminated by the Governor.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 15th day of April, 2020.

Kate Brown

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Bev Clarno

SECRETARY OF STATE

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State of Oregon

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-22

ALLOWING MEASURED RESUMPTION OF NON-URGENT HEALTH CARE PROCEDURES USING PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT, AND CONTINUING RESTRICTIONS ON VISITATION IN RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAKS

On March 8, 2020, I declared an emergency under ORS 401.165 et seq. due to the public health threat posed by the novel infectious coronavirus (COVID-19).

On March 12, 2020, I issued Executive Order No. 20-05, prohibiting gatherings of 250 or more people statewide. I also announced a statewide closure of Oregon K-12 schools from March 16, 2020, through March 31, 2020.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency.

On March 16, 2020, the Department of Human Services imposed its most recent protective measures to restrict visitors to long-term care facilities and other residential facilities.

The Oregon Health Authority has adopted similar measures at the Oregon State Hospital and other behavioral health settings, and has limited admissions to the Oregon State Hospital. The Oregon Department of Corrections has suspended all visits to state prisons.

On March 17, 2020, I prohibited gatherings over 25 people, banned on-site consumption of food and drink at food establishments statewide, and extended school closures until April 28, 2020. I also encouraged all businesses not subject to the prohibitions to implement social distancing protocols.

On March 18, 2020, I suspended in-person instructional activities at higher education institutions through April 28, 2020.

On March 19, 2020 I issued Executive Order 20-10, encouraging and requiring the preservation of personal protective equipment and hospital beds, postponing certain non-urgent healthcare procedures, and restricting visitation in health care settings.

On March 22, 2020, I imposed a temporary moratorium on residential evictions for nonpayment, prohibiting law enforcement from serving, delivering, or acting on any notice, order or writ of termination of tenancy, relating to residential evictions for nonpayment.

On March 23, 2020, I ordered Oregonians to "Stay Home, Save Lives," directing individuals to stay home to the greatest extent possible, ordering the closure of specified retail businesses, requiring social distancing measures for other public and private facilities, and imposing requirements for outdoor areas and licensed childcare facilities.

On April 1, 2020, I imposed a temporary moratorium on the termination of residential and nonresidential rental agreements and evictions for nonpayment, to ensure that individuals can stay at home to the greatest extent possible, and to ensure the provision of necessary goods and services during this emergency.

On April 8, 2020, I announced that school closures and the suspension of in-person instructional activities at higher education institutions would be extended through the end of the current academic term and school year.

On April 15, 2020, I ordered certain necessary measures to ensure safe public meetings by public bodies and to facilitate continued operations by local governments during the COVID-19 outbreak.

COVID-19 may cause respiratory disease leading to serious illness or death. The World Health Organization considers COVID-19 to be a global pandemic. COVID-19 spreads person-to-person through coughing, sneezing, and close personal contact, including touching a surface with the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes.

State and local public health officials advise that the virus is circulating in the community and expect the number of cases to increase. As of today, there are at least 2,354 cases and 92 deaths in Oregon, with more than 50,000 nationwide. Given that risk for a resurgence of COVID-19 remains if protective measures are not maintained, we must maintain preparedness in our medical system, as we plan to ease these restrictions over time.

Social distancing, the "Stay Home, Save Lives" order, and the other essential actions mentioned above have helped slow the spread of COVID-19 in Oregon. Canceling all elective and non-urgent procedures that use personal protective equipment (PPE), such as masks and gowns, was necessary to ensure adequate PPE was on hand to treat COVID-19 patients. In addition, limiting all non-essential visitation at hospitals and other health care facilities, and screening all visitors, was and remains necessary to protect health care providers and patients from possible exposures to COVID-19.

While the State and medical facilities have made progress on hospital capacity and PPE supply, nationwide shortages remain a concern. Oregon is at the point where it is possible

to gradually resume elective and non-urgent procedures, as long as those procedures are performed in compliance with Oregon Health Authority guidance, which will ensure COVID-19 safety and preparedness by maintaining hospital capacity and adequate supply of PPE.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED THAT:

Resumption of Certain Elective and Non-urgent Procedures

1. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(1)-(3):

a. Elective and non-urgent procedures across all care settings that utilize PPE, including but not limited to, hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, outpatient clinics (including community health clinics and student health centers), dental clinics, and veterinary clinics shall not occur unless they meet the requirements of paragraph 1 (b) of this Executive Order.

b. On or after May 1, 2020, elective and non-urgent procedures across all care settings that utilize PPE are allowed, but only to the extent they comply with guidance or administrative rules issued by the Oregon Health Authority.

c. The Oregon Health Authority shall issue guidance for the procedures authorized by paragraph 1 (b) of this Executive Order no later than May 1, 2020, and may revise that guidance, as necessary. Such guidance will be posted at <https://govstatus.egov.com/OROHA-COVID-19>.

d. When developing and issuing guidance pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Executive Order, the Oregon Health Authority will consider the frameworks developed by the Medical Advisory Panel.

2. Nothing in this Executive Order prohibits the use of PPE to diagnose and treat COVID-19 cases.

Prohibition on Non-essential Visitation

3. Pursuant to ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f), ORS .401.175(1), ORS 401.168(1), and ORS 401.188(2), I continue my delegation of authority to the Oregon Health Authority to provide guidance, which may be revised from time to time, regarding limitations and screening requirements for visitors to hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers, based on best practices, to ensure the safety of patients and health care workers, and to slow the spread of COVID-19. Such guidance is available at <https://govstatus.egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19>.

Effect on Executive Order No. 20-10.

4. Executive Order 20-10 (conserving PPE) is rescinded as of May 1, 2020, and replaced by the directives in this Executive Order.

Enforcement

5. This Executive Order is a public health law, as defined in ORS 43 IA.005, and may be enforced as permitted under ORS 43 IA.010. Additionally, any person found to be in violation of this Executive Order is subject to the penalties described in ORS 401.990.

6. This Executive Order is issued under the authority conferred to the Governor by ORS 401.165 to 401.236. Pursuant to ORS 401.192(1), the directives set forth in this Executive Order shall have the full force and effect of law, and any existing laws, ordinances, rules and orders shall be inoperative to the extent they are inconsistent with this exercise of the Governor's emergency powers.

This Executive Order is effective immediately, and remains in effect until terminated by the Governor.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 27th day of April, 2020.

Kate Brown

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY OF STATE