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Update on County Response to COVID-19

Redwood City – The County of San Mateo continues to work to protect public health and safety in response to the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19.

The County of San Mateo's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains open to coordinate countywide response and communications in response to the situation. The EOC's Joint Information Center will provide daily status reports Monday through Friday until further notice. Today's report:

Regional Shelter-in-Place Orders Extended, Some Restrictions Eased

The seven Bay Area Public Health Officers who ordered a shelter-in-place in mid-March will extend the orders through May 31 while some restrictions are eased and tools to strengthen containment of COVID-19 are put into place. The social distancing intervention has slowed the increase of new cases and prevented the anticipated medical surge. As restrictions are eased, it is critical to ensure that growth of cases can be sufficiently contained to protect the health and safety of our community.

All construction activities, certain businesses that operate primarily outdoors, and some outdoor activities will be allowed to resume with specific conditions.

These new Health Officer orders, which take effect May 4, cover everyone living or working in San Mateo County, as well as the counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara, and the City of Berkeley.

San Mateo County's order differs from the orders in other counties by restricting outdoor recreation to within 10 miles of a person's residence. This restriction applies to San Mateo County residents and those of other counties who wish to travel to San Mateo County for outdoor recreation.

In addition, in San Mateo County, beach parking lots and adjacent parking areas must remain closed to the public for beach access, and local authorities are encouraged to close or prohibit parking in areas adjacent to beaches as necessary to prevent crowds that cannot feasibly comply with the requirements of the order.

Read the full order https://bit.ly/2KXs5pP

County Manager's Media Briefing on YouTube

Today's media briefing on San Mateo County's response to COVID-19 hosted by San Mateo County Manager Mike Callagy can be watched at https://youtu.be/4j026wDv2L4

Subscribe to the County's YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/user/sanmateocountygov

San Mateo County COVID-19 Cases

San Mateo County Health has updated the number of positive cases to 1,136 as of April 28, 2020.

County Health provides detailed information on cases by age group and date and deaths by age group. Learn more at https://www.smchealth.org/coronavirus

Call Center

Residents with non-medical, non-emergency questions about the coronavirus can call 211 at any time, day or night. Callers from landlines and cellular telephones located within San Mateo County are connected with a trained service professional from 211, a confidential service available in 180 languages.