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With COVID-19 Numbers on the Rise, San Joaquin County Updates Stay-at-Home Order State directs Counties on monitoring list to modify or close certain indoor business activities

STOCKTON – To implement the new State order, San Joaquin County Public Health Officer Dr. Maggie Park signed an updated County Stay-At-Home Order which provides that the following sectors must modify operations to provide services outside or by pick-up only beginning on July 2, 2020:

Newly Modified Order for Outside Operations Only:

- Restaurants (outdoor dining and take-out meals are permitted)
- Wineries and tasting rooms
- Cardrooms

Yesterday, the Governor required counties that have remained on the County monitoring list for three consecutive days to shut down certain industries unless they can be modified to operate outside or by pick-up. This requirement is in effect for a minimum of three weeks, but it can be extended based on epidemiologic indicators, such as COVID-19 positive test rates, hospitalizations, and ICU percentages.

"Community spread of COVID-19 continues to be a concern across our County," said Dr. Maggie Park. "Limiting occasions for people to gather has been proven to reduce the spread. We hope that making these changes will help to keep our community safe and lessen future impacts on our businesses."

Businesses that are still NOT allowed to be open include:

- Bars (without exception including those that serve take-out food or outdoor have dining)
- Family Entertainment Centers/Movie Theaters
- Film, Television and Movie Production
- Pro-sports with or without Spectator Audiences
- Zoos and Museums

Businesses that are OPEN in San Joaquin County:

The following businesses are allowed to operate in San Joaquin County following their industry guidance issued by the California Department of Public Health, which can be found at www.covid19.ca.gov.

- Barber Shops and Hair Salons
- Campgrounds, RV, Outdoor Recreation and Pools
- Tribal Casinos and Racetracks
- Childcare
- Day Camps
- Gyms
- Hotels for Tourism and Travel
- Personal Services including Nail Salons
- Places of Worship
- Retail

All residents of the County can leave their residences to engage with these open businesses but must comply with the state requirement to wear a face covering and comply with six feet of social distancing. For more information on the businesses that are open please see www.sjready.org.

"We must continue to be vigilant, maintain social distancing, wear a face covering, and stay home when you are sick," said Dr. Park. "The increasing number of hospitalizations in our county is a concern, and in order to reopen businesses again, we must each take responsibility and limit gatherings to protect the most vulnerable and those at-risk of contracting this deadly virus."

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