Yurok Office of Emergency Services Update: July 27, 2020

Confirmed Cases on the Yurok Reservation
- Zero

Confirmed Cases in Humboldt County (Overall Alert Level 3)
- 217 Total Confirmed Cases (12 confirmed cases today)
- 4 Confirmed Deaths
- 17 Hospitalizations
- 14,661 Tests
- 184 Recovered

Confirmed Cases in Del Norte County
- 88 Confirmed Cases
- 2 Active
- 2 Hospitalizations
- 3,702 Tests

Confirmed Cases in Trinity County
- 3 Confirmed Cases
- 2 Recovered
- 1233 Tests

*The total number of tests includes verified lab results and the approximate number of pending tests at the time of this update.

Confirmed Cases in Siskiyou County
- 66 Total Confirmed Cases
- 10 Active cases
- 56 Total recovered
- 4,862 Tests
Confirmed Cases in Shasta County

- 223 Total Confirmed Cases
- 47 Active Cases
- 12 Total Confirmed Cases Today
- 8 Deaths
- 9 Hospitalized
- 21,150 Tests

Case numbers provided by Humboldt, Del Norte, Trinity, Siskiyou & Shasta County Joint Information Center's

Confirmed Cases at United Indian Health Service

- 23 confirmed cases (13 at PHV, 9 at CC, 1 at EKA)
- 353 Tests administered
- 300 Negative tests
- 14 Pending test results

Case numbers provided by http://unitedindianhealthservices.org/coronavirus/

California COVID-19 Update: On July 27, California reported 6,891 new cases of COVID-19. The state now has a total of 460,550 positive cases. There have been a total of 8,445 deaths in the state.
United States Confirmed Cases: Per Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as of June 27, 2020:

- Total confirmed cases 4,225,687 (+61,795 New Cases* compared to yesterday’s data)
- Total confirmed deaths 146,456 (+564 New Deaths* compared to yesterday’s data)
- The CDC also provides an overview here: https://www.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/index.html

Global Confirmed Cases: As of July 27, 2020

- Total Confirmed Cases 16,482,592 +220,111
- Total Confirmed Deaths 654,052 +5,139
- Total Recovered Cases 9,572,619 +165,196

What to do if you think you are sick: Call ahead: If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough or shortness of breath) and may have had contact with a person with COVID-19, or recently traveled to an area with apparent community spread, call your health care provider before seeking medical care so that appropriate precautions can be taken.

- Humboldt County Department of Public Health: (707) 268-2182 or (707) 445-6200
- Del Norte County Department of Public Health: (707) 464-0861 or (707) 464-3191
- Potawot Health Village: (707) 825-5000
- Crescent City Clinic: (707) 464-2750
- Smith River Clinic: (707) 487-0215
- Klamath Clinic: (707) 482-2181
- Eureka Clinic: (707) 442-0380
- Weitchpec Clinic: (530) 625-4300

Actions Taken by YT Government:
- The Yurok Reservation remains closed at this time.
- 6/22/20 The Yurok Tribal Council appointed Angie Brown as the COVID-19 Incident Command Team’s Public Health Officer
- Tribal Council recently issued an order requiring reservation residents to wear face coverings while in public.
- Yurok Tribal Council approved fees waived for June for Yurok Connect Internet
- June 2, Yurok Tribal contributes 2 million to The Alliance CDFI for small business covid relief fund.
- Yurok Tribal Council has approved a $1,250 Covid relief payment to all Yurok Tribal member 18 years or older by December 30, 2020.
- The Yurok Tribe issued a Stay at Home Order on March 19, 2020 that coincides with California Governor Newsom’s order also issued on March 19, 2020.
Chairman Joseph L. James issued an emergency reservation closure order on April 4, 2020, this Resolution Number 20-43 was approved at a duly called meeting of the Yurok Tribal Council on April 6, 2020, at which a quorum was present and that this Resolution Number 20-43 was adopted by a vote of 8 for and 0 opposed and 0 abstentions in accordance with Article IV, Section 5(j) of the Constitution of the Yurok Tribe. This Resolution Number 20-43 has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

- Curfew hours during the closure 10 p.m.-4 a.m.
- Yurok Tribal Council and Yurok Office of Emergency Services has requested FEMA assistance.
- For more information call the Yurok Tribe Covid-19 Toll Free Hotline at: 1-888-225-8952.

COVID-19 IC Team Updates

Public Health Task Force:
- PH Reported out to Council in separate report. (PIO will receive PH info on next ICS call)
- The Yurok Tribe Emergency Public Health Ordinance can be viewed at: https://yuroktribe.org/documents/EmergencyPublicHealthOrdinanceFinal4-30-2020_signed.pdf

Operations Update:
- Maintaining signage boards.
- Preparing for fire season
- Keeping a static inventory of PPE and issuing as needed to programs and personnel.
- For more information call 1-888-225-8952

Logistics Section Update:
- Ordered PPE Supplies
- Distributed PPE Supplies
- Disbursed Covid Assistance Checks to Tribal Members
- Received 83 cases of gloves from CAL OES
- Ordered 10 Fogger machines and solution
- Placing final order of PPE supplies before IC hands over logistics to someone else
- Logistics crew put in for resignation from ICS as of July 31st.

Education Task Force Update:
- The Tribal Council approved the Education Re-opening plan in the last Council cycle. Education continues to refine this plan for the “re-opening” for a date in the future to be approved by Tribal Council and Health Officer Angela Brown. We will now be aiming to start on August 24 for Head Start and Child Care services and earlier in August for the Boys & Girls club, if approved. We are working to build confidence in our staff and families to return to the centers. We would like to give families and staff at least a 1-2 week notice of the date we plan to re-open for direct services. Noting we still have staff on FMLA leave also.

- * We are preparing for Distance Learning in Fall again when schools return. Many School Districts are planning for a schedule that allows for Social-Distancing or having half the
students attend school two-days per week and the other half the other two-days per week. We will be preparing to support students during this unusual time. Many large districts in California have announced they will be only offering Distance learning this fall. KT has decided to do distance learning for the first six week of the school year. *Education will be offering various support strategies and various ways students can be checked on this fall term as they learn from a distance.

• The Boys and Girls Club and Head Start are continuing to deliver weekly food bags and in-home lessons and activities to households.

• *Recent & Pending Funding: - We will be looking to apply for a new ACE U.S. Dept. of Education grant to support our students over the next 4 years. - The Boys and Girls Club secured $40,000 for mentoring youth at each site, $20,000 per site. - Education is securing $70,000 from Del Norte County Mental Health for funding for the Boys and Girls Club to do prevention work with the students. - Boys and Girls Club will be receiving $4,500 from the Safeway Corporation toward operations. - Boys and Girls Club to receive $2,500 from the NFL toward Virtual training of staff. - Yurok language is submitting a new ANA 3-year grant with James Gensaw as the Acting Lead. - Head Start to receive $100,000 in CARES $ for extra cleaning of our facilities for re-opening. - Our Boys and Girls Club to receive $20,000 for operations during the crises from the COKE Co. - Received our regular NOF - Notice of Funding agreement for Head Start $2.4 million dollars. *Yurok Education will continue to include Trauma Informed practices through-out its programs and services to assist the community toward healing and recovery from past traumas injustices.

• *The Education Department has hired over 40 Summer Interns this Summer of 2020. These virtual Interns are exploring various Career Pathways, especially tribal careers and job opportunities. We have had Tribal Council Members, Provolt and Vice Chair Meyers, and as well as research on the value of Yurok language, Elders Susie Long, Walt Lara Sr., fiscal matters from Steve Edmundson, COVID-19 updates (from Kate Fisher and CDC expert Jenifer Burchfield) as well as Loren Bommelyn, Chief O’Rourke, Margo Robbins on traditional Fire, Stephanie Weldon DHHS, Dr. Kishan Lara, and Dr. Mneesha Gilman on the power of learning a native language, James Gensaw, Rosie Clayburn, the new Forestry Director and many others are presenting.

• The Education Department has compiled a list of remote learning resource that can be found here: https://www.yurokoes.org/resources

IT Update:

• I just received notification that we are being awarded a private grant of 154K from ARMPNET. These dollars are designated towards solving digital divide wireless infrastructure challenges in rural areas. This grantor met with myself and Linnea Jackson from the Hoopa Tribe this week to discuss our projects. Their board met this morning and approved both our proposals and the Karuk tribe’s as well!

• These dollars will add to the existing grants, CARES act funds, and others taking our broadband further than I had even hoped! This is amazing news for Yurok but also for the three tribes – working together to solve the communications deficit in Indian country!
Liaison:

• Manuel Sanchez took over for Don Barnes as Liaison. There’s not much activity this week, should see activity pick up if the Congress passes Cares Act 2, and the additional funding the tribe can secure for our region.

Deputy IC Update:

• Worked closely with PIO staff to develop sit stat reports by providing information and guidance. This week our Operations Section Chief Andy Lamebear was on Bereavement leave, so I assumed those responsibilities in his absence. Attended the 0800 Team briefings and updates from the different sections. Attended weekly team family meeting. Met with the Public Health Officer and IC to review phases for re-opening and identification of what we need in place to move into lifting the closure order. Met with Hoopa and Incident Management Team 11, on the Milepost Fire to obtain situational awareness. Attended a Tulley Creek EOC and Police Station meeting with Planning Dept. Sharing of daily updates to our Planning Chief from cooperators for disbursal. Met with Logistics to get an update of supplies and ordering. Sent out numerous emails to different team members by sharing updates from CalOES and our county partners. Worked on updates to Chairman and Council. Completed the PSPS training and update for PGE.

Planning Update:

• Attended PH Contact Tracing Meeting, Monday 7/20
• Facilitated two 0800 ICS IMO Briefings, Tuesday 7/21 and Thursday 7/23
• Attended one 1000 ICS Internal Meeting on Tuesday 7/21
• Attended IC Building Entry Tracking work session Wednesday 7/22
• Attended Yurok Tribe All employee meeting held by Executive office on Wednesday 7/22
• Continue to maintain filing and compressing 214s and weekly reports as they come in
• Familiarized self with the Incident Action Planning Process by reviewing ICS 300 and other ICS documents
• Updated completed files on the COVID-19 ICS shared folder on YTmain
• Updated organizational contact list based on changes from IC
• Maintained distribution of email correspondences between IC, PHO, IMT and Executive Office as needed
• Worked with IT to keep recipients within the COVID-19 IMO email current and up to date

Legal Officer Update:

• Drafted resolution re: closure
• Revised resolution regarding purchase of isolation units -participated in IC planning session and Tuesday/Thursday calls -participated in YOES update to Council

Public Information Officer Update:

• The PIO published positive content on average of twice a day, every day to the Tribe’s social media
• PIO continues to produce YOES updates.
• Also, we continue to share UIHS services on our social media platforms.
• Making culturally appropriate graphics to inform Tribal citizens about the threat posed by the coronavirus.
• PIO drafted and published the press release regarding the implementation of the extensive broadband project. The project is being funded with CARES funding. High-speed, Yurok Connect internet will be available before the end of 2020.
• PIO is working on a video highlighting essential employees.

Local County Updates:
• Humboldt County: July 14, 2020 - State Places Additional Restrictions on Certain Sectors; Takes Effect Locally Friday; The state is requiring all bars that do not have a permit to serve food to close, and these businesses should cease operations no later than Friday. Businesses in the following affected sectors should offer only outdoor services with safety precautions in place: https://humboldtgov.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3060
  • Restaurants
  • Wineries and Tasting Rooms
  • Movie Theaters
  • Family Entertainment Centers
  • Zoos and Museums
  • Cardrooms
• Humboldt County: July 14, 2020 - Encroachment Permits Allow Businesses to Operate Outdoors https://humboldtgov.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3063

The leadership, and many dedicated staff are tireless in their efforts to mitigate a very difficult situation. The Yurok Tribe is working to stay ahead of the curve. The Yurok Office of Emergence Services is providing regular updates to the upriver and downriver communities via the Tribe’s social media pages, local sandwich board notification stations and at yurokoes.org.

For more information regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic please visit:

http://unitedindianhealthservices.org/
www.yurokoes.org
https://humboldtgov.org/2018/Humboldt-Health-Alert
http://www.co.del-norte.ca.us/departments/health-human-services/public-health
http://www.oesnews.com/