



# PACIFIC COUNTY

## Public Health and Human Services

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### Changes to Original Order Highlighted

## FIRST AMENDMENT TO ORDER OF THE PACIFIC COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

### CLOSURE OF PACIFIC COUNTY BEACH APPROACHES AND CLOSURE OF HOSPITALITY LODGING

DATE ORDER ISSUED: March 23, 2020

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order constitutes a misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment up to ninety days, or both.

The virus that causes Coronavirus 2019 Disease (“COVID-19”) spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to safeguard the public and protect healthcare resources. The Pacific County Health Officer (“Health Officer”) has determined that steps to limit gathering measures are now necessary in Pacific County (“County”) in light of the increasing scope and severity of the threat that COVID-19 poses. Although not yet confirmed in Pacific County, confirmed cases of infection and increasing instances of community spread in Washington State require the limitations in this Order. Accordingly,

#### UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF RCW 70.05.070 THE HEALTH OFFICER HEREBY ORDERS:

1. Effective immediately, as of 2:00 p.m. on March 22, 2020, and continuing until further notice, all beach approaches in Pacific County are closed. This is necessary to control and prevent the spread of a dangerous, contagious disease within the jurisdiction of the Pacific County Health Officer; to maintain health over the territory of this jurisdiction; and to promote the public health.
2. Effective immediately, as of 2:00 p.m. on March 22, 2020, and continuing until further notice, all hospitality lodging within the territorial boundaries of Pacific County is closed, with the following exceptions contained in paragraph 3 below. This is necessary to control and prevent the spread of a dangerous, contagious disease within the jurisdiction of the Pacific County Health

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Officer; to maintain health over the territory of this jurisdiction; and to promote the public health. "Hospitality lodging" includes:

- a) Resort, Hotels, Motels
- b) Short-term Rentals, Timeshares, Homestays (including Bed and Breakfast)
- c) Campgrounds
- d) RV Parks
- e) Private property being used as campgrounds.

3. Exceptions for hospitality lodging. It shall not be a violation of this order for hospitality lodging to remain open to the following:

- a) Any person who has resided in the hospitality lodging since March 17, 2020 or earlier.
- b) Any person employed in the hospitality lodging.
- c) Any person working directly on the COVID-19 response. This includes healthcare professionals; first responders; national guard; law enforcement; local, state and federal government employees; and other essential personnel responding to the COVID-19 emergency.
- d) Any person required by their employment to travel in Pacific County to provide services, shipping, or deliveries. This includes truck drivers and service providers.
- e) Any person paying for hospitality lodging with a voucher issued by, or direct payment by, a government or non-profit entity.
- f) Any person residing in hospitality lodging as a result of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, harassment, or otherwise as a result of being a victim of crime.
- g) Property owners, including if they reside on their property in travel trailers, RVs, mobile homes, or other housing. Pacific County is not prohibiting property owners from returning to their property located in Pacific County, even if the property owner has recently been residing outside of Pacific County.
- h) Long-term (more than 30-days) tenancies/rentals.
- i) Emergency shelters which operate free of charge to residents/guests.
- j) Quarantine and/or isolation facilities.
- k) Exceptions may also be approved in writing by the Public Health Officer or his designee for purposes necessary to assist in controlling or preventing the spread of COVID-19, or to promote the public health. Contact the Pacific County Emergency Operations Center to request an exception on weekdays from 8:00am-4:00pm at (360) 875-9407 or (360) 642-9407.

4. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) Posted on the County Public Health Department website (<https://www.pacificcountyhealthdepartment.com>). (2) It is requested that the Washington State Parks as well as hospitality lodging entities post this Order on-site in a place viewable to the public, as well as on their website or social media platform.

5. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Order.

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6. The Health Officer will continue to assess this quickly evolving situation and may at any time modify, cancel, or extend this Order, or issue additional orders related to COVID-19.  
PURSUANT TO RCW 70.05.070, THE HEALTH OFFICER REQUESTS THAT ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS ORDER.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



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Steven Krager, MD, MPH Date: March 23, 2020  
Pacific County Deputy Health Officer