Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 101040, 120175.5 (b) the Health Officer of the County of Trinity amends and replaces the order dealing with Real Estate Services and related Settlement Services made on March 30, 2020 with an updated order dated April 21, 2020, as described below to become effective immediately.

A determination has been made by the Trinity County Health Officer that REAL ESTATE SERVICES, and related SETTLEMENT SERVICES are now included in the essential services and critical infrastructure status in Trinity County, with parameters as follows:

▪ No open houses will be allowed.
▪ Showings will be done virtually via Zoom, Skype, FaceTime or a similar method.
▪ Realtors will work from their home.
▪ Lenders, appraisers, and contractors must complete all required tasks with no face-to-face contact.
▪ All documentation will be done through DocuSign or a similar electronic method.
▪ Lenders must accept drive-by appraisals, electronic notary documents, and work completed by a licensed contractor via notice of completion by the contractor with no final inspection.
▪ Contractors that must enter the home in order to close escrow shall have permission from the owner and/or the occupant of the home, must fill out a brief health questioner, wear booties, and wear a mask or cloth face covering (not an N-95). They must wash their hands with soap and water before entering the home, or if soap and water are not available use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
1) To the extent necessary, the Order may be enforced pursuant to Government Code Sections 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code section 101029. Please read this order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment or both. (California Health and Safety Code Section 120295 and California Health and Safety Code 120130)

2) Previous Health Officer Orders and Advisories, otherwise not addressed herein, remain in full force and effect. These documents can be found at https://www.trinitycounty.org/covid-19/public-health-advisories.

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April 21, 2020