Trinity County has coordinated with the state, local public health officials and County Board of Supervisors to strategically plan a phased reopening of our local economy. Support from our communities, social obligation and personal responsibility are critical for the success of the reopening plan. Moving forward, the safety and health of Trinity County residents remain our number one objective. We ask that each resident make informed decisions to keep yourself and your family healthy throughout the duration of this pandemic.

All County guidance will follow orders directed at the state and federal level at all times. A local order may be more restrictive than the state order, but may not be less restrictive.

Trinity County will implement guidelines to safely phase reopening. If you have questions about preventative measures or how to implement and follow this guidance within your business, organization or office, please call (530) 623-1116.

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In Trinity County, the Public Health Branch will monitor conditions and disease activity and take immediate steps to mitigate and contain COVID-19 spread and reverting to the appropriate stage, depending on severity.

- The triggers for this may include:
  - Two (2) or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the county, based on findings of contact investigation and the degree of exposure risk to residents.
  - Medical surge that overloads either the Public Health system or county medical facilities and resources;

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Substantially increased death rate within County.

**CALIFORNIA REDEFINING ESSENTIAL vs NON-ESSENTIAL**

Instead of classifying businesses and industries as essential vs. non-essential, the state is moving towards the terminology of “lower risk” vs. “higher risk” operations. This will allow all businesses to begin working on plans that focus on safety and are designed to lower the risk of COVID-19 transmission to their workers and customers. At times you may continue to see the language ‘essential workforce’ and that is referring to those industries found [here](#).

**LOCAL EVALUATION & MONITORING**

The Public Health Branch will assess the following metrics on an ongoing basis to monitor the safety of reopening:

- Monitor Regional Medical/Health activity and Emergency Medical System (EMS) data
- Review local healthcare facilities weekly situation reports
- Monitor local and regional testing
- Case investigation and contact tracing
- Review Coroner reports

Should an increase in illness occur, targeted containment and mitigation measures will be employed and may include any of the following:

- Increased monitoring of exposed contacts
- Strict quarantine of contacts
- Expanded use of PPE
- Recommended reduction in worksite staff
- Sanitation of a specific facility
- Closure or partial closure of a specific facility
- Reduction in social gatherings
- Additional health orders by the County Public Health Officer
GUIDELINES IN ALL PHASES

INDIVIDUALS
- Anyone who is feeling ill should stay home.
- Continue proper social distancing with six (6) feet of space between one another in public.
- Maintain good hygiene practices - Washing hands frequently and thoroughly, use hand sanitizer, cleaning frequently touched surfaces, and covering coughs & sneezes.
- Social settings – should be limited to ensure proper social distancing standards in each phase.
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is recommending that individuals wear cloth or paper (surgical) face masks in public in an effort to prevent transmission of COVID-19. Generally speaking, these masks prevent the wearer from transmitting coronavirus, but it is important to note that disease spread is best controlled when everyone is wearing masks when out in public.

EMPLOYERS
- Develop and implement appropriate policies, in accordance with Federal, State, and local regulation and guidance, and informed by industry best practice, regarding:
  - Social distancing and protective equipment
  - Temperature checks
  - Sanitation
  - Use and disinfection of common and high traffic areas
  - Business travel
- Monitor workforce for symptoms. Do not allow symptomatic people to physically return to work. Standards for employees returning to work is found here: [CDC guidance](https://www.cdc.gov).

PHASE ONE (1)
SAFETY & PREPAREDNESS

California is focused on increasing testing, contact tracing, personal protective equipment (PPE), and maintaining hospital surge capacity. Phase 1 activities also include continuing to make essential workplaces as safe as possible and proposing sector-by-sector safety guidelines to expanded workforce.
PHASE TWO (2)
LOWER RISK WORKPLACES

The Governor (not localities) will make the decision to move from Phase 1 to Phase 2 by modifying the stay-at-home order. They will be making the determination of when to transition between stages by monitoring the metrics laid out by the Governor’s office.

INDIVIDUALS
- All vulnerable individuals should continue to shelter in place, this includes: Those 65 years of age and older and/or residents of any age with underlying health conditions that puts them at risk for severe illness.
- Non-essential travel is strongly discouraged.
- Residents may participate in outdoor recreation activities if they are able to follow the social distancing guidelines.

EMPLOYERS
- Business classified as ‘low risk business’ will need to visit [www.trinitycounty.org](http://www.trinitycounty.org) to assess how they will establish their plans to safely reopen and receive a certificate from Environmental Health.
- Businesses such as manufacturers, retail stores, and offices (where telework is not available) may reopen.
- Businesses that are currently able to operate with limited and/or closed lobbies will continue to do so.
- Business should encourage telework whenever possible and feasible for business operations.
- Return to work and business should be phased, provide for appropriate physical distancing measures, and ensure sick employees do not come to work.
  - Meeting rooms, break rooms and other common areas should remain closed or be limited in capacity to provide physical distancing between employees.
  - Return employees back to work in phases, rather than all at once. This will maintain physical distancing in the workplace.
  - Minimize non-essential travel.
  - Protection and accommodations should be provided to employees who are high risk for COVID-19.
  - Owners and operators are encouraged to limit the number of staff and clients in the building at a given time.
  - Social distancing should be maintained to limit the number of exposures.
- Provide as many services as feasible with limited contact for example:
  - Online orders with in store pickup
  - Limiting number of clients in a lobby or waiting area
  - Staggering appointments
• Outdoor recreation may open.
  o Physical distancing should be promoted and maintained.
  o If equipment is provided it should be cleaned after use (example: golf course providing golf clubs or golf carts)

SPECIFIC TYPES OF EMPLOYERS
The following sectors would be allowed to open immediately once they have their risk assessment, and site-specific plan implementation:
• Retail, including but not limited to: Bookstores, jewelry stores, toy stores, clothing stores, shoe stores, home and furnishing stores, sporting goods stores, antique stores, music stores, florists.
• Supply chains supporting the above businesses, in manufacturing and logistical sectors
• Personal services, limited to: car washes, pet grooming, tanning facilities, and landscape gardening.
• Office-based businesses (telework remains strongly encouraged)
• Outdoor museums and open gallery spaces
• Childcare
• Schools with adaptations (upon further direction of the Governor’s office)
• Restaurants will continue to operate with take-out and delivery only. After a two-week surveillance period (expanded testing and no increase in cases) will then be reviewed for modification and opening.

PHASE THREE (3)
HIGHER RISK WORKPLACES

Phase 3 will involve opening higher-risk environments with adaptations and limits on the size of gatherings. Examples include: personal care (hair and nail salons, gyms); entertainment venues (movie theaters, sports without live audiences); and in-person religious services (churches, weddings).

INDIVIDUALS
• All vulnerable individuals should continue to shelter in place. Members of households with vulnerable residents should remain aware that by returning to work or other environments where distancing is not practical, they could carry the virus back home. Precautions should be taken to isolate from vulnerable residents.
• Social settings where appropriate distancing may not be practical, should be avoided unless precautionary measures are observed.
• Non-essential travel may resume.
EMPLOYERS

- Business classified as ‘high risk business’ will need to visit www.trinitycounty.org to assess how they will establish their plans to safely reopen and receive a certificate from Environmental Health.
- Businesses such as personal-care (nail and hair salons, barbers), bars, entertainment venues and in-person religious services may reopen.

SPECIFIC TYPES OF EMPLOYERS

- Organized youth activities may reopen.

PHASE FOUR (4)

In Phase 4, the state will re-open highest risk workplaces when all indicators have been met and once therapeutics have been developed; activities and venues in this category include concerts, convention centers, and live audience sports.

At this phase, the Stay-At-Home order will be lifted.

Approved as to Form:

[Signature]
Dr. David Herfindahl, Trinity County Health Officer

May 15, 2020