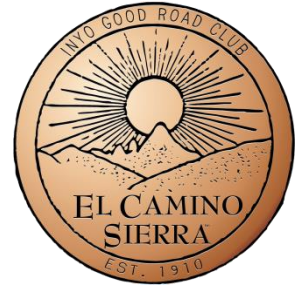




# INYO COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

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Inyo County Health and Human Services- Public Health Division, Board of Supervisors, and County Administration are actively monitoring the situation involving the infectious disease outbreak of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus). The Inyo County HHS Public Health is the lead authority for all public health emergencies in our County.

Every effort will be made to ensure the timely distribution of the Daily Updates by 5:00pm.

We appreciate your patience in the event the update is released later than anticipated.

For up-to-date information as well as previous updates please visit:

<https://www.inyocounty.us/coronavirus-covid-19-response>

- Current Statistics as of: March 20, 2020

	Global	United States	California	Inyo County	Mono County
Confirmed Cases	244,725	15,219	1,006	0	0
Deaths	10,024	201	19	0	0

Global: [CDPH/Cal OES Joint Report](#)

US: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html>

CA: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx>

- Inyo County Test Results as of: March 19, 2020 @ 4:00 p.m.

Total Tests Taken	Pending Results	Negative	Positive
31	27	4	0

## NEW Local Information, Action, & Recommendations

- **Emergency Operations Center:** The County of Inyo, in an effort to stay prepared, has activated a limited Emergency Operations Center in response and to prepare for the potential impacts of COVID-19. At this time there are no confirmed COVID-19 cases in Inyo County. An EOC is activated when there is a heightened sense that an incident or emergency may require mutual aid, and can either precede or follow the declaration of a Local Emergency. On March 16, 2020 Inyo County Health Officer, Dr. James Richardson, declared a Public Health Emergency in order to protect the health of the Inyo County community. Currently emergency personnel and command staff have been mobilized and are increasing their readiness by ensuring that warning systems are ready, emergency preparedness plans are in place, and officials and the public are consistently being briefed.
- **County Facility Impacts:** Inyo County is implementing emergency measures at County operated campgrounds and other County facilities. These measures include restricting walk-in services at some offices and full closures of other facilities. It is also recommended that people conduct business with the County via phone and email to the extent possible, and to not visit any County offices in person if they are experiencing illness. For a complete list of closures and restrictions please see the March 19<sup>th</sup> press releases.  
<https://www.inyocounty.us/sites/default/files/2020-03/03.19.2020%20PRESS%20RELEASE%20-%20County%20Office%20Restrictions.pdf>

## NEW Statewide/ Federal Information, Action, & Recommendations

- **Shelter in Place Order:** Effective March 19<sup>th</sup>, Governor Gavin Newsom issued an order to all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of the federal critical infrastructure sectors, as outlined at <https://www.cisa.gov/identifying-critical-infrastructure-during-covid-19>. This Order is being issued to protect the public health of Californians. The California Department of Public Health looks to establish consistency across the state in order to ensure that the impact of COVID-19 is mitigated. The supply chain will continue, and Californians will have access to such necessities as food, prescriptions, and health care. When people need to leave their homes or places of residence, whether to obtain or perform the functions above, or to otherwise facilitate authorized necessary activities, they should at all times practice social distancing. This order is in place until further notice. Further details regarding critical services can be located at <https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/CISA-Guidance-on-Essential-Critical-Infrastructure-Workers-1-20-508c.pdf>
- **IRS Tax Payment Relief:** The filing deadline for tax returns remains April 15, 2020 however; the Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service are providing special *payment*

*relief* to individuals and businesses in response to the COVID-19 Outbreak. This payment relief includes:

- Individuals: Income tax payment deadlines for individual returns, with a due date of April 15, 2020, are being automatically extended until July 15, 2020, for up to \$1 million of their 2019 tax due. This payment relief applies to all individual returns, including self-employed individuals, and all entities other than C-Corporations, such as trusts or estates. IRS will automatically provide this relief to taxpayers. Taxpayers do not need to file any additional forms or call the IRS to qualify for this relief.
- Corporations: For C Corporations, income tax payment deadlines are being automatically extended until July 15, 2020, for up to \$10 million of their 2019 tax due.

This relief also includes estimated tax payments for tax year 2020 that are due on April 15, 2020. Penalties and interest will begin to accrue on any remaining unpaid balances as of July 16, 2020. If you file your tax return or request an extension of time to file by April 15, 2020, you will automatically avoid interest and penalties on the taxes paid by July 15.

- **Additional Federal Assistance Requested:** Governor Gavin Newsom sent a letter requesting additional federal assistance to supplement California's efforts to prepare for a COVID-19 surge. Follow the below link to read the full letter: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.19.20-Letter.pdf>
- The California Department of Public Health website is updated constantly as updates become available. The designated COVID-19 guidance page is provided below: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Guidance.aspx>