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9:30 AM  ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION (OPEN)

.  DISCUSSION RELATED TO A PROPOSED PARK COUNTY HEALTH ORDER TO RESTRICT NON-COUNTY RESIDENTS ROAD ACCESS AND CLOSURE OF ALL SHORT-TERM RENTALS

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STANDING PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
CLOSING COUNTY ROADS TO NON-COUNTY RESIDENTS
CLOSING ALL SHORT-TERM RENTALS

1. **Purpose, Effective Area.** This Public Health Order is being issued to limit the health impacts of COVID-19. This Order sets forth requirements to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. This Order is effective within the entirety of Park County, unincorporated.

2. **Effective Date and Time, Limitations.** The Public Health Order will become effective at ________ a.m. on April xx, 2020, unless otherwise specifically provided for herein, and will remain in effect until ___ of July, 2020 or extended by an amendment to this order.

3. **Purpose and Area Subject to Order.** This Public Health Order No. 20-1 (“Order”) is being issued to limit the health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic including without limitation preventing the spread of the COVID-19 virus in Park County and protecting the health, safety and welfare of Park County residents, Park County public safety responders, and the public generally. This Order applies to the entirety of Park County. A map showing the Park County roads affected by this order is attached as Appendix 1.

4. **Legal Authority.** This Order is adopted pursuant to the legal authority set forth C.R.S. § 25-1-506 as well as all other applicable laws, rules, regulations, orders and declarations. Under this authority, the Board has the power and duty to investigate and control the causes of epidemic or communicable diseases and conditions affecting public health; to establish, maintain, and enforce isolation and quarantine; to exercise physical control over the property and over persons of people within the territorial limits of Park County; to close public places and to prohibit gatherings of people to protect public health; all as the Park County Board of Health may find necessary for the protection of the public health. Immediate issuance of this Order is deemed reasonable and necessary under the existing circumstances and necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of Park County, its citizens and the general public.
5. **Most Restrictive Standards Control.** To the extent any State of Colorado and/or Federal orders or laws are more restrictive than what is set forth herein, such orders and laws control. Individuals should be aware that new orders from Governor Polis and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (“CDPHE”) have been and continue to be issued on matters related to the COVID-19 pandemic. All members of the public are responsible for following the Governor’s and CDPHE’s orders and local orders including this Order. Additionally, Park County Board of Health may legally require and implement more restrictive standards, requirements, and orders for Park County than what the State of Colorado or the Federal government may require. To the extent this Order is more restrictive than orders from the State of Colorado or Federal government, this Order controls.

6. **Reasons for Road Closures.** Park County roads form a network providing local residents of Park County necessary access to their homes and neighborhoods and additional access to United States Forest Service, state and other public lands for recreation and other purposes. Park County has been experiencing non-resident visitors traveling to, though, on and around these roads for the apparent purpose of accessing recreation lands and short-term rentals. Parking on these roads and surrounding areas is not lawful and also creates dangerous traffic and health conditions and represents a danger and nuisance to local residents. The use of ATVs is not lawful on County roads pursuant to CRS §33-14.5-110. Due to winter conditions said mentioned roads, especially in the higher altitudes of many recreation areas and Parking frequently is limited to Parking on the roads.

The Park County Sheriff’s Office do not have the capacity and resources to adequately control, manage, police, and ensure the safety of these non-residents and their impacts on Park County and its residents, including preventing non-residents from gathering, disregarding social distancing requirements, and violating travel restrictions in violation of Governor Polis’s Executive Order No. D 2020-017 and CDPHE Public Health Order No. 20-24. Nor do Park County public safety personnel have the capacity to provide services to persons needing assistance on recreation lands, or to do so safely without putting the personnel at risk to the virus.

The number of non-residents Parking, traveling, on and around these roads and using the adjacent public lands in Park County also increases the risk of spreading the COVID-19 virus. This Order is intended to prevent the spread of COVID-19 from non-residents entering or leaving Park County and ensure the health, safety and welfare of Park County residents and public safety personnel, and the general public.
The Public Health Director and the Park County Sheriff, who are the responsible officers for public health and public safety responses are most affected and who are working in conjunction with the county Emergency Manager to manage this emergency disaster incident, recommend adoption of this order.

7. **Road Closures Devices.** The use of road blocks, traffic control devices, signs, and other measures may be taken to restrict access to Park County roads by non-residents except for **Necessary Travel**, including travel to/from work for **Critical Businesses** and to perform **Critical Government Functions** (as the terms in bold are defined in CDPHE Order 20-24, as it may be amended) but excluding travel for the purpose of recreation, and Park County’s Sheriff’s Office and Public Works Department will take such actions when deemed necessary for this purpose. The Park County Sheriff’s Office also has the authority and is authorized to require persons seeking access to Park County roads to provide proof of Park County residency to Sheriff’s Office or other County personnel regulating access to these roads. Self-certification form may be used by those performing critical business functions.

8. All short term lodging, including but not limited to campgrounds (whether private or government operated), reserved camping sites, hotels, motels, short term rentals (less than 30 days), bed and breakfast establishments, lodges and retreats shall cease operations, unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Public Health Director for emergency or quarantine purposes, or to provide lodging for essential federal, state, county or local personnel.

   - For the avoidance of doubt, disbursed camping on Federal public lands by Park County residents is permitted as long as campers are otherwise in compliance with this Order.

9. **General Information for all Persons.** The Board of Health strongly recommends that everyone within Park County comply with the Governor’s stay-at-home order and Public Health Order 20-24 by staying at home except for essential travel, and that they confine their recreation to their neighborhoods.

   Residents of Park County are strongly encouraged to use recreation lands in a manner that does not expose them to the risk of requiring assistance from public safety personnel, who may not respond to calls for assistance at all or in a timely fashion.
Residents of Park County who are at heightened risk from COVID-19 are strongly encouraged to stay at home.

These actions are some of the most available and effective tools to help slow the spread of the virus in our community - and, importantly, to reduce the number of potential deaths caused by COVID-19. By slowing the spread, we have a chance to protect our family, friends, and neighbors who are at risk for severe illness. In particular, this includes all adults over age 60 and anyone with an underlying health condition.

These actions will limit the cascading impacts on critical services due to high absenteeism if large numbers of workers become ill. This Order and actions will help first responders and other public safety and health care services continue to provide services for those who need them in the coming weeks and months. Collective action can save lives and is in support of the most vulnerable in our community. The more united we can be in preventing the spread the greater the benefit for the whole community.

10. **Penalties.** Failure to comply with this Order is subject to the penalties contained in Sections 25-1-516 and 18-1.3-501, Colorado Revised Statutes, including a fine of up to five thousand ($5,000).
ADOPTED this xx day of April, 2020, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Park County.

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Richard Elsner, Chairman

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Mike Brazell, Commissioner

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Ray Douglas, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Debra Green
Park County Clerk and Recorder

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Public Health Director

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