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From: NOR Board of Directors
NOR Executive Team

As the COVID-19 (coronavirus) situation continues to evolve daily, and hourly in some cases, North of the River Recreation and Park District (NOR) has been monitoring the updates as well as working closely with Kern County Department of Public Health officials. While there are still no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Kern County, the health and wellbeing of our staff, volunteers, program participants and the community we serve remains our highest priority.

To that end, the District will be adding more hand sanitizing stations to its indoor facilities. Additionally, all high-touch surfaces and restrooms in our community centers are being cleaned multiple times daily, using disinfectant products that meet the criteria set forth by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

Per the Governor's most recent Executive Order, the following additional measures have been taken:

- All District Community Centers including the Senior Adult Centers will be closed for programming through the end of March. Daily meal service will continue to Meals on Wheels recipients and congregate attendees will be able to pick their meals up to go.
- All afterschool sports programs operated in partnership with our school districts are suspended through the end of March
- All youth and adult sports programs operated by NOR are suspended through the end of March
- All programs operated by partner organizations and/or independent contractors are suspended through the end of March
- All open gym activities are suspended through the end of March
- All private rentals at NOR facilities scheduled during the month of March are postponed/cancelled
- The NOR Junior Theatre production of Seussical Jr. has been postponed

NOR Community Centers and the Administrative Complex will remain open to answer customer questions and assist with registration of future programs. No programming or organized activities will take place, however. Our 24 parks and their restroom facilities will remain open for the enjoyment of the public.

We will continue to actively monitor this fluid situation by remaining in close collaboration with the Kern County Department of Public Health (KCDPH) and seeking up to date and accurate information from the CDC, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). NOR will provide updated information and re-assess the postponement of activities as information is disseminated and decisions are made.

We are committed to the community we serve; we will continue to act responsibly to ensure the health and well-being of our staff and customers, and we are optimistic this will be a temporary situation.

Should you have questions or concerns, we welcome you to call us at 661.392.2000. To learn more about the CDPH Gathering Guidance policy as well as receive updated COVID-19 information, please visit <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx>