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## Public Health Announcement

To the Tule River Community,

The novel coronavirus known as COVID-19 has and continues to disrupt the lives of everyone worldwide. Since arriving within the United States, there are approximately 1,996,960 confirmed cases, 112,726 deaths. California approximately has 136,191 confirmed cases, 4,776 deaths.

There are numerous avenues to identify COVID-19 within individuals, the most accessible being OptumServe's site located at the Porterville Memorial Building, 1900 W. Olive Ave., Porterville, CA 93257. You can access this testing by going online to <u>https://LHI.care/covidtesting/</u> or by dialing 1-888-634-1123.

The Public Health Authority has secured a site for individuals who need to isolate. In the event isolation is requested but your residence is not suitable, this alternate care site will be utilized. In the event it may be reasonable to help those who are considered high-risk, this alternate care site may be utilized.

With available testing, a clear understanding of resources such as hospitalization, alternate care sites for isolation, and services to accommodate these individuals, the Public Health Authority agree removing the reservation checkpoint and opening the casino would be reasonable on June 15, 2020.

The Public Health Authority is also requesting the Department of Public Safety, (559) 791-2123, help enforce the Tule River Tribe Peace and Security Ordinance FY2020-07.

CHAPTER 3. VIOLATIONS

Section 3.01 Infractions against Property

(B) Trespass

A person commits the infraction of Trespass if he or she enters or remains on tribal or private property of another without consent and:

- Had notice that the entry was forbidden; or
- Was ordered to depart after entry and failed to do so; or
- Has been banished or excluded from the Reservation or specific location(s) on the Reservation by the Tribe, or the Tribal Court.

Notice or an order may be given by:

• Written or verbal communication given to the intruder by a Tribal Official, Public Safety Officer, the owner of the property or a person authorized to act on behalf of the owner;

- Written notice posted on or about the property in a manner reasonably likely to come to the attention of potential intruders; or
- Fences, barricades or other devices obviously designed to enclose the property and to exclude potential intruders; or
- Written notice of exclusion or banishment issued by the Tribe or Tribal Court; or
- Written Tribal, State or federal protective order(s) or restraining order(s) preventing a person from entering the Reservation or buildings within the Reservation.

We as the Public Health Authority see it most effective for the Head of Household to take responsibility for the safety of themselves, their loved ones and properties.

You can find this announcement with others related to Public Health online at <u>https://www.trihci.org/covid-19</u>

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