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EOC Update

There are still no known positive cases of COVID-19 in the Haines Borough
(Juneau has 10 positive cases now in Juneau and 5 positive cases in the Yukon)

Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure Workers

The Borough Administration is cognizant of the concern that the community has for bringing a workforce from without, due to the possible threat to community health if a worker carries the coronavirus. We are in communication with SeCon and Hamilton Construction; both contractors are aware of DOT&PF's requirements for filing a Mitigation Plan. The Borough will approve of these plans. Our preliminary discussions indicate that fewer than 20 people are expected to be brought into the community on these two projects, combined. The firms have a global-force appreciation for the need to quarantine workers, regardless of the state's exemption. The Borough hears your concerns; we are not concerned so much with "balancing" issues of health and economy as we are with ensuring that the health of the community is maintained while meeting contractual obligations.

The Borough has received the following update from DOT:

" DOT&PF and Contractors jointly developed a COVID-19 Mitigation Plan to deal with safe operations and travel protocols for our rural (and urban) projects. The plan has requirements for quarantine, mingling with locals, distancing, hygiene and much more. It has been reviewed and accepted by Unified Command as having met all of their draft requirements. Instead of multiple plans by multiple parties, all DOT&PF work will have this one set of requirements. We will present this plan to rural communities where we have projects underway or will be sending our own staff and consultants."

SEARHC Warning

Dr. Elliot Bruhl, SEARHC Vice President and Chief Medical Officer, urges residents of Southeast to be wary of purchasing COVID-19 tests on the internet, as illegitimate tests are currently available. Tests not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and authorized for diagnostic use under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) are dangerous and unreliable as they do not focus on diagnostic testing.

HVFD Survey

The Haines Volunteer Fire Department and Haines Borough are seeking volunteers in the community with specific medical/first responder skills that might be willing to support emergency response teams in times of need. If and when your services are needed, you will be contacted by the Fire Chief.

If you have any questions in regards to this form, please contact the Haines Borough at 907-766-6400.

The Haines Borough greatly appreciates all residents who are willing to support it's Volunteer Fire Department!

View Survey [here](#) or <https://forms.gle/RBYHDaUb6a7uJvFT6>.

Imagine This...

This is a group for all Haines kids and parents/caregivers. Let's write a story together while we are socially isolated from each other.

- 1) Haines kids of all ages participate
- 2) Every Monday through Friday at 9:00 am a small portion of a story will be posted with a blank that needs to be filled in
- 3) Each day post a suggested word to fill in the blank (include the word, the child's name, and grade/age each time)
- 4) Each Monday through Friday morning at 8:00 am a word will be randomly selected and added to the story.

We will build our story day-by-day and see where it takes us. If you know a child that is not on Facebook or Instagram (@imaginethishaines), ask if you can post their suggestion for them each day. You can also call 766-6313 and we will post words! By the end of our social isolation, we will have a complete story that we can say we wrote together!

Always Remember...

Remember, if you need help with groceries, prescription pick up, mail pick up, or other errands please contact the Haines Support Chain at [this link](#) or call Sara at 314-3074. And thank you to all of the volunteers with the Haines Support Chain!

Link to State Mandates [here](#) or <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/default.aspx>

If you would like this information emailed to you, please send your request and email address to the [Borough Clerk \(click here\)](#).