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Public Service Announcement

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Updated Clarification on Recreation

Klickitat County Residents: The Klickitat County Emergency Operations Center in Unified Command with The Public Health Department would like to give you the most up to date clarification that was provided Thursday, May 14th, 2020. This new clarification opens up additional low risk sports and activities which is a great chance to enjoy some of our local activities while continuing to maintain a safe distance and keep all of our residents healthy.

Outdoor recreation and sports that are addressed in this release include: “Staffed outdoor tennis facilities (public and private), guided ATV tours, paddle sports, horseback riding guided fishing, as well as go-kart tracks, ORV/motocross facilities and participant-only motorsports and other substantially similar activities.” The clarification breaks down each activity and gives guidelines for safe operation. Whether you are a business owner or a customer we recommend reading through the guidelines as they give great recommendations that will keep the customers and staff healthy.

Our ultimate goal for Klickitat County residents is to stay safe and healthy. Enjoying local activities is the best option versus going to other areas. Other counties have not been as fortunate as we have. For example our neighbors to the North in Yakima County are still dealing with a significant daily increase in positive cases. As of yesterday their positive COVID-19 case count was at 2,186 with 76 deaths. They are still struggling to slow the spread of this terrible disease. Staying local for all non-essential activities, for now, will help all of our surrounding counties and will reduce the risk of bringing back additional cases that can spread in our community.

You have been working hard to keep our county safe, let’s keep that going. We are not at the finish line yet. If we continue to take precautions as have been mentioned many times and stay local we can get through this together. Thank you all for your patience and hard work during these difficult times. Don't forget that your mental health is just as important as your physical health. There are resources available to help improve your mental health.

Recreation Clarification-

https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/COVID19Phase1and2OutdoorRecreationGuidance.pdf?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Mental Health- <http://klickitatcounty.org/1196/Mental-Health>

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