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State Public Health Officials Lift Regional Stay at Home Order for All Regions of the State

Effective Immediately

San Benito County – January 25, 2021: San Benito County Public Health was notified that the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) ended the Regional Stay at Home Order, lifting the order for all regions statewide immediately, including the San Joaquin Valley region, which San Benito County was assigned to late last year. The Four-week ICU capacity projections for the San Joaquin valley region is above 15%, the threshold that allows regions to exit the order.

San Benito County will return to the Purple or widespread (most restrictive) tier of the <u>Blue Print for a Safer Economy</u> of <u>California's colored coded tier system</u>. Services and activities, such as outdoor dining and personal services, may resume immediately with required modifications. See the <u>county map</u> to find the status of activities open in each county. Businesses must continue to follow <u>industry specific guidance</u> and any sector specific <u>tier restrictions</u>.

While there are positive signs that the virus is spreading at a slower rate across the state, San Benito County still reports high case rates as well as deaths among its residents which reminds us that the COVID-19 pandemic is far from over. It is still critical that the community continues to wear face coverings when outside the home, maintain physical distance of at least 6 feet, wash hands frequently, avoid gatherings and mixing with other households, follow all state and local health department guidance and get the vaccine when it's their turn.

Understand which activities and businesses are open in the four tiers (PDF)

Reopen your business or facility safely with industry guidance to reduce the risk here

Local San Benito County COVID-19 information can be found at www.sbccovid19.us