

STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION AS OF 4/15/20

FROM PLACER COUNTY:

The Health Officer's order that just came out on 4/10/2020 is in effect until May 1, 2020. With respect to Planning/Building items, it places a limitation on construction of commercial buildings **that are not already underway**, but allows housing construction as "essential infrastructure." This means, no new commercial construction can begin, although current project may continue.

Since this is an order, it has the same effect as a law, and therefore can be enforced as such.

Definition of Essential Infrastructure:

Essential Infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, **public works construction; construction of housing** (in particular affordable housing or housing for individuals experiencing homelessness); **construction of commercial buildings already underway at the time of this Order**; construction and maintenance of hospitals, medical service buildings, and educational facilities; emergency repair construction; airport operations; water, sewer, gas, and electrical operations; oil refining; operation and maintenance of roads and highways; public transportation; solid waste collection and removal; and the operations and maintenance of internet and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services); provided that they carry out those services or that work while maintaining six feet of distance between persons whenever feasible.

Also, the Order continues to allow Planning Commission and Zoning Administrator meetings to go forward as "essential government functions":

Definition of Essential Governmental Functions:

Essential Government Functions are defined by the governmental entity performing those functions. Each governmental entity shall identify and designate appropriate employees or contractors to continue providing and carrying out any Essential Governmental Functions. All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with six-foot social distancing requirements whenever feasible. All first responders, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, court personnel, and law enforcement personnel, and others who need to perform essential services are categorically exempt from this Order to the extent they are performing those Essential Government Functions. In addition, all Brown Act meetings of the legislative body, as defined in the Brown Act, of all public agencies within Placer County are deemed Essential Governmental Functions and are categorically exempt from this Order. Legislative bodies should consider implementation of remote attendance measures when feasible in light of waived Brown Act requirements as a result of the Governor's Executive Orders.

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FROM NEVADA COUNTY:

Today the County will be issuing a clarifying order to supplement the existing state stay at home order and defining essential services. The order does not change the current status and definition of the construction industry that has already been established by the state order. I wanted to reassure you of this as additional orders that get issued often get interpreted as more restrictive across the board and this isn't the case. If you have any questions regarding this or once you review the order that gets released today please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Thanks!

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FROM TOWN OF TRUCKEE:

The Town's Code Compliance Officer, Caitlin Safford has been working to respond to safety issues, including those associated with the COVID-19 Stay Home Order. These include complaints of short term rentals and businesses operating in violation of the Governor's order. A reminder that: 1. Non-essential businesses should be closed until the order is lifted. 2. Short term rental complaints can be sent to tot@townoftruckee.com. 3. Construction is still currently deemed an essential function and therefore, continues with corresponding building permits. Building Department staff continue to process permit applications as usual. You can apply for building permits online through the Town's website. We appreciate all of our community members who continue to follow the Governor's order. Our goal is to insure a safe and healthy environment in order to provide a high quality of life for our community. Stay Safe & Stay Healthy Truckee.

FROM MARTIS CAMP ASSOCIATION:

MC Contractors, Vendors, House Managers and Landscape teams:

On Friday, April 10th, Placer County issued updated COVID-19 rules for essential workplaces/industries. After being carefully reviewed by Martis Camp's General Manager, legal counsel and the MCCA board, construction will be allowed to continue at this time but Effective Immediately: all construction sites must strictly adhere to the "Physical Distancing Protocol" as detailed by the County. (see links below)

Per MCCA Board direction, continued access to job sites is now contingent on compliance with these directives and failure to do so may result not only in fines but in sites being shut down entirely until the county's Shelter In Place restriction is lifted.

If you haven't already become familiar with the updated orders and specific distancing protocols, please do so immediately (again: links below) and communicate this information with your teams, sub-contractors and vendors. A list of these actions must be posted at all jobsites where they will easily be seen by any and all working at the site. Please have this signage in place by the close of business on Thursday, April 16th and send me a photo demonstrating compliance.

Many contractors have already established great jobsite protocols relative to keeping everyone safe and healthy (Thank You!!) but there is always room for improvement. Six-foot-distancing must be taken seriously and enacted from the moment someone steps foot on the jobsite until they drive away at the end of the day. This is an unquestionably challenging item but there is surely at least one tape measure at each job site to aid in clearly establishing what staying six feet away from somebody actually looks like. Doing so will be the difference between NOT getting sick or getting

others sick and hopefully continuing to come to work every day. Please take a moment and spell out the consequences of blowing this off to all the folks working on your sites.

Additionally, we are asking that everyone avoid extra travel while in the community; please remain at one site for as long of a duration as possible. As GCs and managers, if you are not actively coordinating daily scheduling of in-house teams, subs and vendors, now is the time to take this chore in hand.

Landscape contractors are asked to carefully read the County update specific to limits on landscaping work and adjust operations accordingly to remain in compliance.

It is worth mentioning that MC members living in the community are expressing concern about virus spread as it relates to construction site activity. Some are pushing for a complete construction shut down until the Shelter in Place restriction is lifted. The congregation of workers on site, the absence of masks on all faces and sites crowded with many people – business as usual – all serve as red flags. Until this kind of behavior stops, the campaign to shut down construction may only gain momentum and eventually, force the board to close the gates entirely. Be absolutely sure that you and your entire team are doing your part to ease this concern.

It is so very cliché, but 100% true: We are all in this together. The better we abide by distancing/safety standards, the sooner this will be a fading memory. Enjoy the sunshine (far away from other people!) for the next few days. Look for an email from me later this week regarding spring clean-up reminders and construction starts.

As always, I remain available for any questions and am happy to talk through any issues, challenges, etc. Don't hesitate to get in touch.

Wishing you all good health!

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<https://www.placer.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/43731/COVID19-Health-Officer-Order-FINAL-41020-with-Appendix>
<https://www.placer.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/43732/Physical-Distancing-Protocol---Fillable-Form>