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COVID-19 DAILY UPDATE

MSWD Operations

 MSWD Board declared local emergency at a special board meeting, held Monday, March 23, 2020

No others changes from 03.19.2020 Update:

- No water quality complaints received. There is no evidence that the COVID-19 virus is transmitted through drinking water
- Lobby Remains Closed Please use alternate methods of payment which are listed at (https://www.mswd.org/coronavirus)
- 50% of MSWD staff are isolated and working from home, rotating schedule in effect
- Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has been activated and is in communication with City of Desert Hot Springs and Riverside County EOCs
- All District meetings will be held telephonically. All other meetings have been cancelled or postponed.

<u>Local – Desert Hot Springs/Riverside County</u>

No changes from 03.20.2020 Update:

- City of Desert Hot Springs will be implementing the Governor's Stay at Home order.
- Other DHS updates, visit (https://www.cityofdhs.org/coronavirus-updates?hsCtaTracking=c4af97d6-9368-4031-8dcd-0e804c8d6330%7C639dbc4b-fb01-4d71-9ded-1bdd27160d44)
- Riverside County Public health website with updates: (www.rivcoph.org/coronavirus)

State of California

- For CA Department of Public Health Updates please visit: (https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx)
- On March 20, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-34-20.
 - The timeframe for conducting hearings for moving from an at-large election to a
 district-based election, as set forth in Elections Code section 10010, are
 suspended for any subdivision until social distancing and emergency measures
 have ceased.
 - Therefore, all public hearings for the transition from at-large to district elections for MSWD must be postponed.
- The Governor has mobilized the National Guard in order to assist food banks and other essential service. Locally, the national guard was helping at FIND Food Bank in Indio.
- The State of California released a COVID-19 specific site: (https://covid19.ca.gov/)



<u>National</u>

- Real ID requirement deadline pushed back
- A stimulus bill is still under talks within the Senate, as two previous attempts have failed to move out of Capitol Hill.
- The majority of cases are in New York. The thought is that the virus must have been there for a few weeks before it was detected.

For additional Information, please visit https://www.mswd.org or https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus