



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 4/6/2020

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** DHHS: Public Health

**Agenda Section:** Departmental

**SUBJECT:**

Update on Local Conditions Surrounding COVID-19

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive a report from Department of Health & Humans Services (DHHS) - Public Health and other county staff regarding the current status of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in Humboldt County.

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

**DISCUSSION:**

On March 17, your Board received an update from DHHS regarding the then-current status of COVID-19 in Humboldt County, and ratified a resolution declaring the existence of a local emergency related to the virus. Since that time Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich issued shelter-in-place order throughout the county, and Governor Gavin Newsom issued a similar order throughout the state in order to slow the spread of the virus. In addition, DHHS confirmed an additional three positive tests of Humboldt County residents with COVID-19 one month after the county had its first confirmed positive case.

There are many steps county officials are taking to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to help the community during this time, including vulnerable residents and the business community. However, it is likely that the number of confirmed cases in Humboldt County will increase and staff and community partners will need to continue to take measures to prepare for issues that will face residents in the future.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

N/A

**STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:**

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This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by creating opportunities for improved safety and health and protecting vulnerable populations.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: E-1; K-1

Meeting of: March 26, 2020; March 17, 2020

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