



Legislation Text

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Receive an update from Dr. Bela Matyas, Public Health Officer and Terry Schmidtbauer, Interim Director of Resource Management regarding the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic emergency response efforts and current status of statewide guidance and take action based on staff recommendations

Published Notice Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

Public Hearing Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board receive an update from Dr. Bela Matyas, Public Health Officer and Terry Schmidtbauer, Interim Director of Resource Management regarding the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic emergency response efforts and current status of statewide guidance.

For information, updates and resources on COVID-19, please visit the Solano County Public Health web page at:

<http://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/ncov.asp>

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

On August 28, 2020, Governor Newsom unveiled a new plan for regulating activities in relation to COVID-19 transmission throughout the state with revised criteria for loosening and tightening restrictions on activities. The new plan, Blueprint for a Safer Economy, imposes risk-based restrictions on sectors across the state and expands the time between the changes. Every county in California is assigned to a tier based on its testing positivity and adjusted case rate using metrics from the prior three weeks. The plan creates a four colored tier system with Purple (widespread), Red (substantial), Orange (moderate) and Yellow (minimal) - based on how prevalent COVID-19 is in each county and the extent of community spread.

Metrics for each county are included on the California Blueprint Data Chart which can be found at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/COVID19CountyMonitoringOverview.aspx> and is updated by the State weekly to show county tier status, date of tier assignment, number of consecutive weeks meeting the next tier's criteria, case rates, adjusted case rate for tier assignment, testing positivity, and test rates.

Solano County moved from the Purple (widespread) tier to the Red (substantial) tier on September 21, 2020 and has been in this current tier for two weeks. See the attached State summary for re-opening by tier and sector (found on the State's COVID-19 website) to further understand which activities and businesses are open with modifications based on the four colored tiers.