

**ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF TEHAMA**  
**CANCELING ALL EVENTS WITH EXPECTED ATTENDANCE ABOVE 250 INDIVIDUALS**

**DATE OF ORDER: MARCH 20, 2020**


**Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a crime punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code § 120295; County Ordinances 533 and 556.)**

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, TITLE 17 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 2501, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF TEHAMA ("HEALTH OFFICER") ORDERS:

1. All events within the jurisdiction of the Public Health Officer of the County of Tehama with an expected attendance of at least **250** individuals taking place between March 20, 2020 and April 30, 2020 inclusive are hereby ordered **cancelled**, regardless of venue.
2. This Order does not apply to courts of law, primary and secondary school classes, congregate living settings, public transportation, airport travel, or necessary shopping at stores or malls.
3. This Order is issued as a result of the worldwide pandemic of COVID-19 disease, also known as "novel coronavirus," which has infected at least 245, 805 individuals worldwide in 180 countries and is implicated in over 10,047 worldwide deaths.
4. This Order is issued based on evidence of increasing transmission of COVID-19 both within the State of California and worldwide, scientific evidence regarding the most effective approach to slow transmission of communicable diseases generally and COVID-19 specifically, as well as best practices as currently known and available to protect the public from the risk of spread of or exposure to COVID-19.
5. This Order recognizes that many of the events in the County, both large and small, attract attendees from many regions and countries, including several disproportionately afflicted by the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic.
6. This Order is intended to reduce the likelihood of exposure to COVID-19, thereby slowing the spread of COVID-19 in communities worldwide. As the population at an event increases, the difficulty and magnitude of tracing individuals who may have been exposed to a case attending the event rises exponentially, increasing the likelihood that such events will impair efforts at mitigating the spread of the illness.
7. This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference, the March 4, 2020 Proclamation of a State Emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom; the March 19, 2020 Executive Order, N-33-20, issued by Governor Gavin Newsom; the March 17, 2020 Proclamation of Local Emergency issued by Sheriff Dave Hencratt; the March 17, 2020 Declaration of Local Health Emergency Regarding the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) issued by Tehama County Health Officer Richard A. Wickenheiser, MD; the March 17, 2020 Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tehama ratifying and extending the Declaration of Local Health Emergency by the Tehama County Health Officer due to COVID-19; and the guidance issued on March 11, 2020 by the California Department of Public Health regarding large gatherings of 250 people or more.

8. This Order comes after the release of substantial guidance from the County Public Health Officer, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and other public health officials through the United States and around the world recommending the cancellation of mass gatherings involving more than two hundred fifty (250) or more persons in a single space at the same time.
9. This Order is made in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws, including but not limited to: Health and Safety Code sections 101030, et seq.; Health and Safety Code sections 120100, et seq.; and Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations section 2501.
10. To the extent necessary, pursuant to Government Code sections 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code section 101029, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and all Chiefs of Police in the County ensure compliance with and enforcement of this Order.
11. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the Tehama County Health Services Agency Administration office located at 818 Main Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080; (2) posted on the County of Tehama Public Health Department's website (tehamacohhealthservices.net); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.

**IT IS SO ORDERED:**



Dated: March 20, 2020

Richard A. Wickenheiser, MD  
Health Officer  
County of Tehama

Approved as to form and legality:



Richard Stout  
County Counsel  
County of Tehama

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