

# City of Dillingham COVID-19 Operations Plan

PRESENTED TO THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL ON MARCH 13, 2020



# Agenda

- ▶ Current Situation.
- ▶ Mission.
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# Current Situation

- ▶ Federal Government.
  - ▶ POTUS.
  - ▶ CDC.
  - ▶ FEMA.
- ▶ State of Alaska.
  - ▶ Governor.
  - ▶ DHSS.
  - ▶ DHS&EM.
- ▶ World Health Organization.
- ▶ City of Dillingham.

# Federal Government Current Situation

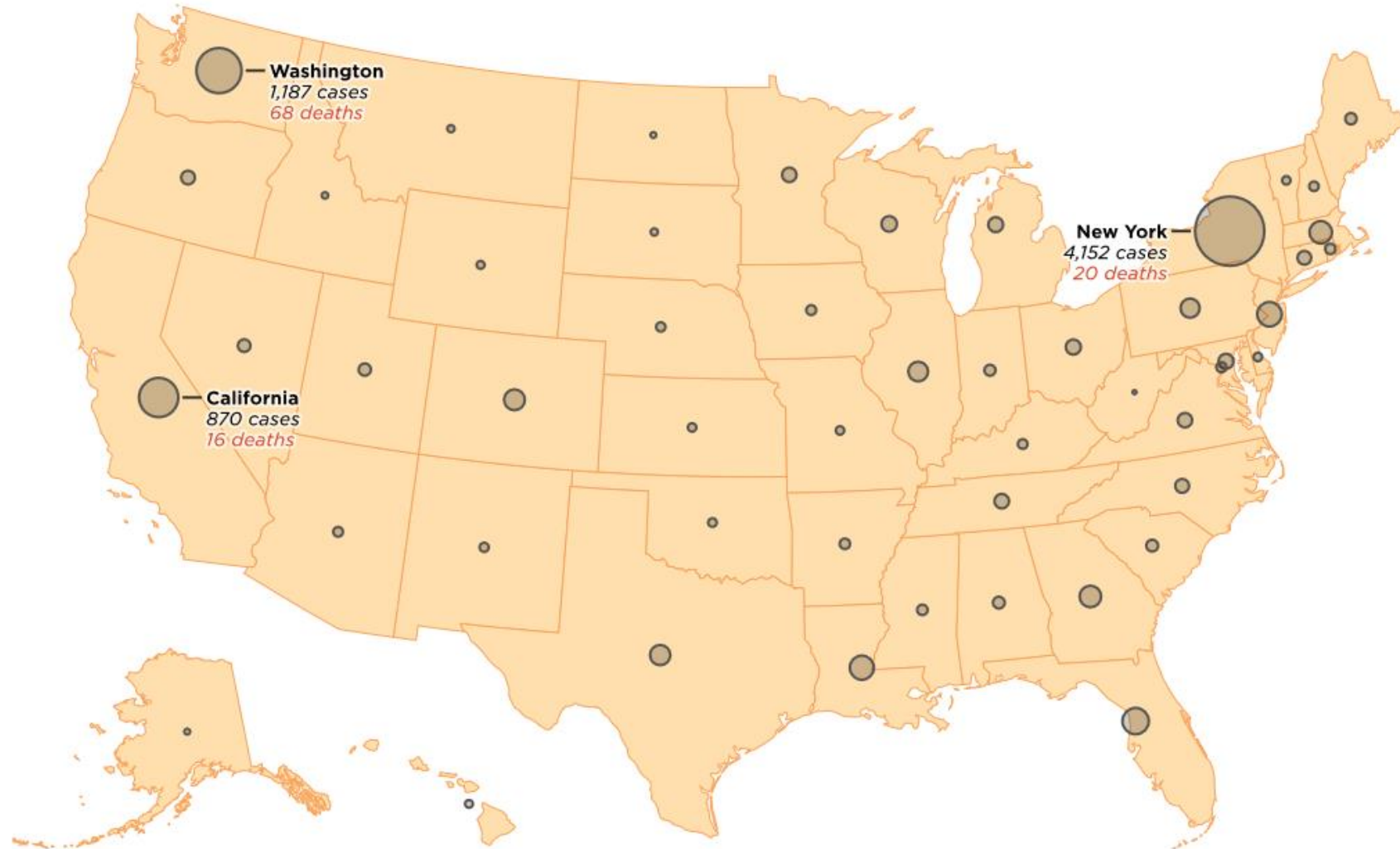
- ▶ Coronavirus website: <https://www.coronavirus.gov/>
- ▶ Different parts of the country are seeing different levels of COVID-19 activity. The United States nationally is currently in the initiation phases, but states where community spread is occurring are in the acceleration phase. The duration and severity of each phase can vary depending on the characteristics of the virus and the public health response.
  - ▶ CDC and state and local public health laboratories are testing for the virus that causes COVID-19. View CDC's Public Health Laboratory Testing map.
  - ▶ All 50 states have reported cases of COVID-19 to CDC.
  - ▶ U.S. COVID-19 cases include:
    - ▶ Imported cases in travelers.
    - ▶ Cases among close contacts of a known case.
    - ▶ Community-acquired cases where the source of the infection is unknown.
- ▶ Three U.S. states are experiencing sustained community spread.

# Recently Signed Laws

- ▶ H.R.6074 - Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 - This bill provides \$8.3 billion in emergency funding for federal agencies to respond to the coronavirus outbreak. <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/6074/text>
- ▶ H.R.6201 - Families First Coronavirus Response Act - responds to the growing health and economic crises with provisions for paid sick leave, free testing and expanded unemployment benefits. <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/6201/text>

# US Coronavirus Cases as of 3/19/20

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# State of Alaska

## Current Situation

- ▶ Health Mandates. <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/default.aspx>
  - ▶ Mandate 1 – Visitation Suspended/Limited at Some State Institutions. [http://dhss.alaska.gov/News/Documents/press/2020/SOA\\_03132020\\_COVID-19\\_HealthMandate.pdf](http://dhss.alaska.gov/News/Documents/press/2020/SOA_03132020_COVID-19_HealthMandate.pdf)
  - ▶ Mandate 2 – Closure of State Operated Libraries, Archives, and Museums; Residential Schools Return Students to Families. <https://gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/03.16.20-COVID-19-Health-Mandate-002.pdf>
  - ▶ Mandate 3 – Statewide Closure of Bars and Restaurants. <https://gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/03172020-SOA-COVID-19-Health-Mandate-003.pdf>
  - ▶ Mandate 4 – Traveler Requirements When Entering Alaska. <https://gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/03172020-SOA-COVID-19-Health-Mandate-004.pdf>

# World Health Organization Current Situation

- ▶ World Health Organization Website: <https://www.who.int/>
- ▶ More than 200,000 cases of COVID-19 have been reported to WHO.
- ▶ Don't assume your community won't be affected. Prepare as if it will be.
- ▶ But to suppress and control the epidemics countries must isolate, test, treat and trace.
- ▶ A month ago the Republic of Korea was faced with accelerating community transmission but it didn't surrender. It educated, empowered and engaged communities. As a result cases have been declining for weeks.



# City of Dillingham

- ▶ The State of Alaska reported its ninth COVID-19 positive case today.
- ▶ We have no cases currently in Dillingham.
- ▶ We are taking steps to prepare our citizens and employees.
- ▶ We want to stress that it isn't a time to panic.
- ▶ This OPLAN has information that will help you prepare yourself and/or your home and business.
- ▶ This is the perfect time to conduct some appropriate measures to protect you and your family.
- ▶ Holding meetings with local leaders and health officials.
- ▶ Teleconference today with Northline, Peter Pan, Icicle, and Trident Sent Comments. We also had Local Health and City Staff on the Call.
- ▶ The City has closed the Senior Center, Library, and City Hall to reduce the transmission. Physical group meetings are prohibited.

# Mission

The City of Dillingham (COD) will maintain essential services to its citizens while taking precautionary measures to protect both the City staff and citizens from potential exposure. On order, the City of Dillingham will respond to the COVID-19 changing situation.

# Operations

- ▶ Essential Services.
- ▶ Preventative Measures.
- ▶ City of Dillingham COOP

# Essential Services

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- ▶ Maintain Water & Sewer Service.
- ▶ Maintain Transportation Corridors.
- ▶ Deliver Senior Citizen Lunch Meals.
- ▶ Keep the Landfill Open.
- ▶ Emergency Medical Services (EMS).
- ▶ Fire Department Response.
- ▶ Law Enforcement Functions.

# Preventative Measures

- ▶ Clean your hands often.
- ▶ Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- ▶ Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care.
- ▶ Cover your mouth and nose when you sneeze with tissue or the inside of your elbow.
- ▶ Clean and Disinfect.
- ▶ Preparing your home.
- ▶ Businesses and Employers.

# City of Dillingham Continuity of Operations

- ▶ Public Safety Department.
- ▶ Planning Department.
- ▶ Finance Department.
- ▶ Fire and EMS.
- ▶ Library.
- ▶ Port and Harbor.
- ▶ City Clerk.
- ▶ Public Works.
- ▶ Senior Center.
- ▶ Administration.



# Medical

- ▶ Our medical support comes from Public Health and from Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation.
- ▶ We also have our EMS professionals that will maintain their lifesaving operations throughout this emergency.
- ▶ Those citizens that are concerned that they may have been exposed to the Coronavirus or are exhibiting symptoms should call BBAHC at (907) 842-5201.
- ▶ Testing for Coronavirus will occur at BBAHC.
- ▶ We depend heavily on BBAHC to provide services to our citizens and will support them to the best of our ability.

# Coronavirus Task Force

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- ▶ We have stood up a Coronavirus Task Force that has begun its work to communicate and get answers to the many questions and concerns. As we move forward, members will be added as required. Task Force Meetings will occur as required. The Task Force consists of:
  - ▶ i. Tod Larson, City Manager – Chair.
  - ▶ ii. Tom Tilden, Curyung First Chief.
  - ▶ iii. Dr. Jason Johnson, DCSD Superintendent.
  - ▶ iv. Dr. Steve Noonkesser, Southwest Region Schools.
  - ▶ v. Dr. Catherine Hyndman, BBAHC Clinical Director.
  - ▶ vi. Gina Carpenter, RN, Dillingham Public Health Center.
  - ▶ vii. Chief Dan Pasquerillo, Dillingham Police Chief.
  - ▶ viii. Koolie Heyano, Dillingham Fire Chief.
  - ▶ ix. Braden Tinker, EMS/Fire Coordinator.
  - ▶ x. Dillingham Business Representative – TBD.
  - ▶ xi. Dillingham Citizen Representative – TBD.

# Communications

- ▶ All City email will be operational as usual. If the employee is teleworking or otherwise unavailable, their phone will be forwarded to them so the community will still be able to contact the City staff. The contact numbers are listed below by department and also located at <https://www.dillinghamak.us/contact>.
- ▶ Public Safety. 911 and 842-5354.
- ▶ Planning. 842-3785.
- ▶ Finance. 842-5211.
- ▶ Fire and EMS. 911 and 842-2288.
- ▶ Library. 842-5610.
- ▶ Port and Harbor. 842-1069.
- ▶ City Clerk. 842-5212.
- ▶ Public Work. 842-2260.
- ▶ Senior Center. 842-1231.
- ▶ Administration. 842-5148.

# Summary

The City of Dillingham will continue to operate and provide essential services to the community. Just as many across the country have done, we must take steps to protect everyone in the community as best we can. The health officials all tell us that washing our hands, cleaning our areas/homes, maintain social distance, cancel gatherings, and isolate oneself is the best way to stop the spread of COVID-19. Alaskans are resourceful and ready to emerge from the other side of this and move on to accomplish great things.

# The Road Ahead

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- ▶ Be Flexible and Agile – Need the Ability to React as the Situation Evolves.
- ▶ Communication is the Key. Over-communicate.
  - ▶ KDLG.
  - ▶ Social Media – Website, FaceBook, Facebook Live.
  - ▶ Conference Calling.
  - ▶ Zoom Meeting.
- ▶ Situation Updates - OPLAN will be Amended as Necessary and Sent Out.
- ▶ Monitor Key Information Outlets.
- ▶ Don't Forget About Daily Operations.
- ▶ City Staff Will Maintain Operations Throughout.
- ▶ Advanced Planning For Fishing Season – Especially With Processors.

# Questions