



**EMERGENCY ORDER 3.0, REVISING EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 2.1 and 2.0, REVISING THE CITY'S TRAVEL QUARANTINE REQUIREMENT, AND ADDRESSING OTHER MATTERS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDINANCE 2020-22(S). THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER, THE COVID TASKFORCE, DILLINGHAM MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS, A CROSS-SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY, CDC AND STATE OF ALASKA GUIDELINES, AND MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC LITERATURE, WERE CONSULTED IN MAKING THIS ORDER.**

**PREAMBLE**

*In the past year, Dillingham has sustained relatively few Covid-19 deaths, medical evacuations, positive cases, and negative impacts, overall. In the past few months, a substantial number of the community have obtained vaccinations. Given the low frequency of cases it is time to develop metrics to help in the decision to replace EO 2.1.*

*Metrics are new, and are required by Ordinance 2020-22(S) Section 3(B) and are as follows:*

- Number of vaccinations in the community for eligible people stated as the percentage of eligible people who are fully vaccinated, the number of vaccinated in Dillingham stands a 1,217 or a total of 73% vaccinated.*
- Community cases (persons working, visiting or residing in Dillingham other than including seafood workers) over a period of time; currently no cases since February (BBAHC and State of Alaska data)*
- Case numbers less than or equal to 10 per 100,000*
- BBAHC and the City have suspended EOC operations*
- The State of Alaska no longer conducting statewide contact tracing*
- Current CDC recommendations*
- Mass testing will be reinstated if there is significant increase in numbers of positive cases*
- Localized outbreaks may result in the reissuance of previous Emergency Orders*
- A definition of a localized outbreak would be five community cases in a seven-day period*

*The results of data based on the above metrics indicate that it is time to revise previous orders and replace them with new orders.*

*EO 3.0. reflects the present circumstances of reasonable and substantial accessibility to full vaccination and Covid-testing for (i) most travelers prior to coming to Dillingham, and (ii) all residents of Dillingham.*

- a. *The federal government, and state and local governments in the lower-48, and many countries, have been offering a wide range of opportunities to obtain full vaccination or Covid-testing prior to traveling to Dillingham. BBAHC and the Public Health Clinic have been offering vaccination clinics since the vaccine became available in January of 2021. BBAHC and the Public Health Clinic continue to offer vaccinations to all eligible residents and visitors.*
- b. *The State of Alaska now provides opportunities to obtain Covid-testing in many State airports, including those in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau and Ketchikan. Testing and vaccinations will continue to be offered in Dillingham until such time that it is deemed not necessary to continue the offerings. Capstone is in Dillingham conducting testing and vaccinations at Curyung's Tribal Council's former office between the Dillingham Police Department and the University building downtown.*
- c. *Based on consultations with Dillingham medical professionals (BBAHC and Public Health Center), the Interim City Manager understands that (i) 1,217 persons, of the estimated City population of 1,669 persons aged 15 and older, are now fully vaccinated which equates to 73% of Dillingham population is vaccinated and (ii) nearly all residents have now been, or will soon be, able to get vaccinated.*

*EO 3.0 We will continue to; (i) encourage more community-members and travelers to get vaccinated, because we all benefit from higher levels of vaccination, and (ii) protect our community by maintaining suggested Covid-safety measures. The City asks residents and travelers to respect the Covid-19 concerns of Dillingham residents and to act honorably and in good faith to minimize Covid-risks. We all have a shared responsibility to ensure the safety of our community. Let's work cooperatively and carefully to continue to protect our grandmothers and grandfathers and other elders, mothers and fathers, wives and husbands, daughters and sons, friends, and colleagues.*

## **CITY OF DILLINGHAM, ALASKA**

### **EMERGENCY ORDER 3.0**

Effective 11:59 p.m., July 19, 2021

#### **1. No Travel Quarantine, and No Pre-Travel Negative Covid-19 Test, Required for Fully Vaccinated or Recovered Previously Infected Persons**

- a. Fully vaccinated persons traveling to Dillingham, and persons who have recovered from previous Covid infection, who remain asymptomatic, are not required to:
  - i. Quarantine during their time in Dillingham, excepted as otherwise provided herein.
  - ii. Obtain the pre-arrival negative Covid-19 test identified at Section 4a.
- b. It is strongly suggested that you carry Proof of fully vaccinated status, or recovery from previous Covid infection, this information should be available for inspection upon arrival or upon request.

## **2. Active Covid-Positive Cases - Travel to Dillingham**

Any person currently infected with the SARS-CoV-2 virus or any variant, should not travel to Dillingham. Infected individuals, from outside Dillingham, should consult with a medical professional on the need to quarantine by isolation to reduce the possibility of spreading the virus. Individuals should not travel to Dillingham until they are cleared from isolation, or otherwise authorized by a medical professional.

## **3. Mandatory Travel Quarantine for Persons Not Fully Vaccinated**

- a. It is recommended that eligible persons get vaccinated. There are multiple ways to obtain a vaccination in Dillingham. However this is a recommendation to all residents and travelers and not a requirement. You are encouraged to wear a mask for your own safety.
- b. It is still recommended that those experiencing virus symptoms be tested and quarantine. The recommended length of the quarantine period is as follows, when no symptoms have appeared:
  - i. Full seven calendar days with a negative result of a viral test for SARS-CoV-2 that is taken on the 5<sup>th</sup> day or later, followed by four days of self-monitoring, or
  - ii. Full ten calendar days without testing, followed by four days of self-monitoring.
- c. Quarantine Location: Pick a location that is safe, offers sanitary facilities, and can provide necessary space for quarantine purposes.
- d. While in quarantine no person shall leave their quarantine location for any reason other than:
  - i. To receive non-elective medical care.
  - ii. Persons engaged in the conduct of Essential Services/Critical Infrastructure as outlined in the US Dept. of Homeland Security, Version 4, CISA, Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce: 16 December 2020, may proceed to their worksite. Such persons are required to self-quarantine during non-work hours throughout the quarantine period, and must conduct their work in a manner to avoid spreading the virus to others in the workforce and the surrounding community.
  - iii. To be tested for COVID-19.
  - iv. To engage in subsistence activities provided the same can be accomplished in a manner that avoids spreading the virus to others in the community.
  - v. To travel in your personal vehicle or vessel, individually or with members of your household, so long as you go directly from the quarantine location to the vehicle or vessel and directly back to the quarantine location without contacting others.
  - vi. To get outside for fresh air, walk, and exercise as long as all mandated protective measures are followed.
  - vii. To leave Dillingham.

- f. Persons who leave the quarantine location pursuant to Section 3.e shall follow all Protective Measures in Section 5.
- g. Entry to quarantine location is limited to the following:
  - i. Persons in quarantine.
  - ii. Persons providing required goods or services for critical personal needs, and critical infrastructure needs.
  - iii. Persons providing medical care to a person in that location.
- h. The members of a household of a traveler who is required to quarantine under this Section 3, do not have to quarantine unless the traveler or any household member becomes symptomatic or tests positive for Covid-19.

#### **4. Covid-19 Testing Requirements**

##### **No longer required.**

Testing will still be available and is strongly encouraged by individuals who may have been or suspect that they may have been exposed to persons who are positive for the virus or who are experiencing COVID symptoms. Mass testing will no longer occur unless a local outbreak occurs.

#### **5. Protective Measures.** Protection identified by the CDC, and AK DHSS, as instrumental in slowing / stopping the spread of COVID-19:

Face coverings are now suggested for people with compromised immune systems, or who are not vaccinated. No business owner will exclude someone from their business for wearing a face mask. Face masks are strictly voluntary. Businesses or organizations may establish masking or distancing requirements for their facilities as they feel necessary.

##### **a. Face Coverings**

##### **Face coverings no longer required.**

Businesses or organizations may establish masking or distancing requirements for their facilities as they feel necessary.

#### **6. Travel Notification Form.**

##### **No longer required**

## **7. Mandatory Isolation**

- a. Any person who is, or who tests, positive for COVID-19 while in Dillingham shall immediately self-isolate and monitor for signs of sickness. Persons should follow State Public Health guidelines.
- b. A separate bathroom facility shall be used for isolation when possible. If one is not available, strict cleanliness procedures must be maintained.
- c. The period of isolation should be:
  - i. For persons with COVID-19 illness, isolation can be discontinued 10 days after symptom onset and resolution of fever for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications, and with improvement of other symptoms.
  - ii. For persons who never develop symptoms, isolation and other precautions can be discontinued 10 full days after the date of their first positive RT-PCR test for SARS-CoV-2 RNA.

## **8. Restricted Use of City Facilities for Health and Safety of All Users,**

City facilities will return to pre-COVID operations until further notice

## **9. City-Based Organizations May Establish Covid-Safety Rules That Exceed These Requirements and Do Not Reduce Them**

Organizations based in the City of Dillingham may establish Covid-safety rules that exceed, and do not reduce, these EO 3.0 requirements. This includes, but is not limited to, schools, private businesses, and nonprofit organizations.

## **10. City Recommendations - These are not requirements but highly recommended**

### **a. Social Distancing**

The City recommends that, when in a public place with large numbers of people, everyone in Dillingham maintain a distance of at least six feet from everyone. This recommendation does not apply to members of the same family or to students in classrooms if the school has adopted the CDC guideline of three feet of distance.

### **b. Vaccination**

The City continues to recommend Dillingham business owners and managers fully vaccinate themselves and as many of their employees as possible.

### **c. Temperature checks and logs, no longer recommended or required.**

## **11. Enforcement**

The City will no longer enforce previous Emergency Orders until such time as warranted in the future.

## **12. Implementation Process**

Periodically this Emergency Order will be updated as the pandemic situation changes across the nation and the State of Alaska. The City Manager will convene and consult with a local medical authority, on an as needed basis to review response activities and assess the situation and will continue to update metrics as deemed necessary. He will also consult with the City Attorney, and other local and state experts as necessary. The City Manager will host COVID updates to City Council, on an as needed basis, to brief members about the City's ongoing pandemic response. The COVID Task Force will be reconvened if there is an outbreak of cases in Dillingham.

Participation in the process depends on the time and urgency of the situation. This process must be as flexible and adaptable as possible to respond effectively and efficiently to protect the citizens of the community while facilitating safe commerce.

## **13. Effect and Survival**

Emergency Order No. 3.0 supersedes and replaces Emergency Order 2.1 in its entirety. It remains in effect unless and until otherwise amended or superseded by the City Manager or the City Council. It shall survive any expiration, termination, elimination, or suspension of any CDC Covid-guidelines, or any Covid-related State of Alaska guidelines, emergency declarations, health orders or mandates.

## **14. Effective Date**

This order shall go into effect at 11:59 p.m. on July 19, 2021.



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