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EL DORADO COUNTY EXTENDS TRAVEL BAN INTO COUNTY PORTION OF LAKE TAHOE

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(PLACERVILLE, CA) – El Dorado County Public Health Officer, Dr. Nancy Williams, today indefinitely extended the Order restricting travel into the Lake Tahoe Basin area of the County.

The current County Order issued April 3, 2020 has an expiration date of 11:59 PM April 30, 2020. Dr. Williams today extended the ban of all nonessential travel into the El Dorado County portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin from outside the basin and will review the current situation with local health care professionals at least every 14 days.

Recognizing visitors' contributions to the local economy, Dr. Williams also noted the role that nonessential visitation plays in impacting the availability of essential supplies and food at grocery stores and pharmacies and that it can place undue strain on a relatively small healthcare system.

However, the Order states "...the Health Officer, in consultation with Barton Memorial Hospital executives and area leaders, has determined that while COVID-19 cases have remained relatively low in the Tahoe region so far, significant risk would still exist were the state's nonessential travel ban to be lifted."

As a result, the extension becomes effective at midnight, May 1, 2020.

See the extension Order [here](#).

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