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From: City of Craig Emergency Operations Center (EOC),

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Press Release 21-009: Seven New Positive COVID-19 Cases on POW Island.

Craig Emergency Operations Center (EOC) staff was notified by Alaska Public Health on Wednesday, June 2 of seven new confirmed COVID-19 cases on Prince of Wales Island, of which two cases are located in Craig. Six cases were reported Wednesday evening. The seventh case was reported Tuesday night.

Of the two Craig cases, both are determined to be secondary spread. The Division of Public Health and the Alaska Section of Epidemiology are conducting case investigations and contact tracing to determine how the five remaining cases were exposed, and the potential scope of contacts.

The Alicia Roberts Medical Center issued a public statement on June 2 regarding the center's response to the seven new cases. The statement reads "Unfortunately we are operating under a state of emergency operations only due to having multiple COVID patients in the clinic. We and closed to primary care appointment for the remainder of the day to limit the risk of exposure to patients and the community. We will remain open for emergencies."

With summer upon us, we are strongly advising residents to follow all health mandates and advisories to reduce the risk of spreading the virus in Craig. These measures include:

- If you are not vaccinated against COVID-19,
 - wear a mask or cloth face covering when in public places, especially when you cannot maintain good social distances.
 - Maintain good social distancing at all times keeping at least six feet between persons.
 - Keep all trips for non-essential services to a minimum to avoid contact and wear a face mask/covering when you do need to make trips.
 - Stay home as much as possible.
- Wash your hands frequently and avoid touching your face as much as possible.
- If you have symptoms or have a temperature of 100.4° F or higher contact your primary healthcare provider and self-isolate immediately.

The City of Craig Emergency Operations Center will continue to work with Alaska

Public Health and will provide updated information as it is available.

The City of Craig will continue to monitor COVID-19 reports and information and provide links and up to date information about the City of Craig response at the city's website. For information go to www.craigak.com or www.craigak.com/covid.

Contact information for City of Craig departments and services.

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Craig Police	826-3330	re44@craigpd.com
Craig Public Facilities	826-3408	facilities@craigak.com
Craig Public Library	826-3281	library@craigak.com
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