



For Immediate Release

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Press Release 035: Positive Craig COVID-19 Case and Extension of City Facility Closures

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On December 11, 2020 the Craig Emergency Operations Center was notified that a positive COVID-19 case had been reported for a Craig resident. Public Health has determined that the source of the infection is listed as “community spread”. Generally, this means that the source of the person’s infection cannot be attributed to travel or secondary infection from other known cases. Community spread usually indicates a higher level of risk to the community since it indicates that there are contagious persons who have not been identified.

Public Health officials are currently conducting a case investigation and contacting close contacts of the infected person.

This case brings the total positive cases for Craig to seven positive cases since April. The last reported case in Craig was a resident who was not in Craig at the time that the positive result was returned on November 8th.

Currently there are 4 active cases on Prince of Wales Island. There has been a total of 30 cases reported on Prince of Wales since April.

In response to the Governor’s current disaster declaration and the declaration expected to be issued on Monday, December 16th, the City of Craig will continue to take the following actions regarding city facilities:

- City facilities will generally be closed to in-person services starting at 12:01 am on Friday, November 13th until 5:00 pm on Friday, December 4th. Most facilities will be staffed and staff will be available by phone or for limited in-person appointments only.
 - Craig City Hall will be closed to the public. Call 826-3275 for assistance or to make an appointment.
 - Craig Harbormaster’s Office will be closed to the public. Call 826-3404 for assistance or to make an appointment.
 - Craig Public Works and Parks and Facilities offices will be closed to the public. Call 826-3405 or 826-3408 for assistance.
 - Craig Aquatic Center and Fitness Room will be closed to the public. Call 826-2794 for assistance.
 - The Recreation Center will be closed to the public. Call 826-2575 for assistance.

- The Craig City Gym is available for use by organizations that have city-approved sanitation plans. Call 826-2575 for assistance.
- Craig Library will be closed to in-person services. The library will still provide curbside pickup and online services. Call 826-3281 for assistance.
- DMV will be available BY APPOINTMENT ONLY on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. You may still drop off DMV items at the dispatch counter. Call 826-3330 for more information or assistance.
- Craig EMS office will be closed to the public. Contact 826-4857 for assistance OR dial 911 if it is an emergency.
- Face masks MUST be worn at all times while in any city facility or when meeting with city staff.
- Social distancing a minimum of 6’ should be maintained when in any city facility or when meeting with city staff (when possible)

These policies will be in effect from December 11th through January 4th unless modified by the City of Craig.

In addition to these measures, please review the Governor’s recommendations for businesses and other organizations. Along with these measures it is critical that everyone does their part to reduce the spread of COVID-19 by frequently washing your hands/using hand sanitizer, wearing a mask or cloth face covering when in public, limiting interaction between members of households, maintaining good social distances with people from other households, and staying home from work or school if you are experiencing any symptoms or have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. If you are travelling, especially over the holidays, please take additional safety measures and consider limiting your exposure to other people for 7 – 14 days after you return from your travels.

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Contact information for City of Craig departments and services.

Craig Aquatic Center	826-2794	pool@craigak.com
Craig City Hall	826-3275	info@craigak.com
Craig EMS	826-4857	ems@craigak.com
Craig Harbormaster	826-3404	harbors@craigak.com
Craig Police	826-3330	re44@craigpd.com
Craig Public Facilities	826-3408	facilities@craigak.com
Craig Public Library	826-3281	library@craigak.com
Craig Public Works	826-3405	publicworks@craigak.com
Craig Recreation Department	826-2575	craigrec@aptalaska.net