

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL COUNTY DISASTER
BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

IDAHO COUNTY, IDAHO

RESOLUTION No. 2020-04

WHEREAS, a local disaster emergency as defined in §46-1002, State of Idaho Code, defines disaster as the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or human cause; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code §46-1011 allows the Board of Idaho County Commissioners to declare a local disaster emergency; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code §46-1002(3) provides that an emergency includes the imminent threat of a disaster or condition threatening life or property which requires state emergency assistance to supplement local efforts to save lives and protect property, avert or lessen the threat of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists because a pandemic Coronavirus (COVID-19) disaster is imminent and threatens widespread illness and potential loss of life in Idaho County which may require state emergency assistance to supplement local efforts to protect life and property; and

WHEREAS, a local declaration activates the response and recovery aspects of applicable local or intergovernmental disaster emergency plans for the furnishing of aid and assistance; and

WHEREAS, an emergency declaration enables the immediate expenditure of public money without formal bidding procedures; the relaxing of certain administrative protocols and the reallocation of budgeted funds to implement emergency protective and life saving measures without a formal hearing; and

WHEREAS, certain detrimental economic impacts are occurring to local Idaho County businesses, and normal business activity is significantly disrupted, causing harm to small business owners, other employers and their employees; and

WHEREAS, healthcare systems, clinics, long term care centers, home health care agencies, hospitals, and EMS response units are unable to procure personal protective equipment and other necessary medical supplies;

NOW THEREFORE, be it declared by the Board of Idaho County Commissioners:

1. That a Coronavirus (COVID-19) Disaster Emergency exists in Idaho County, Idaho which requires State emergency assistance to supplement local county and city efforts to protect life and property; and
2. That the Board of Idaho County Commissioners hereby finds the local disaster condition reflects those elements described in the Governor's Proclamations of March 13 and 19, 2020 and do hereby formally request that the entirety of Idaho County be included in the State of Idaho's Emergency Declaration.

FURTHERMORE, be it further resolved that this disaster emergency may require all State and federal emergency protective measures assistance, when and as requested and available, to supplement local efforts to protect life and provide for the safety and well-being of residents; and to assist in coordinating multi-agency efforts to mitigate, respond to and recovery from the threats and impacts of this disaster.

These efforts may require the augmentation and delivery of normal and emergency medical services, including temporary treatment facilities; law enforcement assistance; procurement and equitable distribution of medical supplies and pharmaceuticals to area healthcare systems; and rapidly addressing broad economic business assistance to avert the severe economic harm beginning to occur, generally, and the lack of critical medical supplies, personal protective equipment, other necessary healthcare supplies. And

1. A formal Request for Assistance may be developed, transmitted to and coordinated with the Idaho Office of Emergency Management; and
2. This declaration shall take affect and be in force from the date of its execution upon formal adoption until the commission finds the disaster situation is adequately mitigated and this resolution is appropriately rescinded, amended or modified by the Idaho County Board of Commissioners; and finally:
3. The Idaho County Board of Commissioners, State of Idaho, does hereby authorize the Idaho County Clerk to attest and execute said declaration and that this declaration is to be forwarded to the Idaho Office of Emergency Management for support and coordination in the response to this disaster.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by concurrence this 24th day of March, 2020. This Resolution has received a formal vote in open session of the Idaho County Board of Commissioners at Grangeville, Idaho as of this date and as evidenced by the signatures below.

Idaho County Board of Commissioners



Denis B Duman, Member



Skip Brandt, Chairman

Absent - Affirmed via phone

Mark Frei, Member

ATTEST:

Kathy Ackerman, Board Clerk

By: 

BEFORE THE BOARD OF IDAHO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

IDAHO COUNTY, IDAHO

RESOLUTION No. 2020-05

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of every Idaho County resident is a priority and the Idaho County Board of County Commissioners can direct disaster preparedness, and the coordination of disaster response and recovery efforts, as stipulated in § 46-1009, Idaho Code; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho County Board of County Commissioners has the authority to adopt a resolution authorizing the use of public monies to meet the contingencies of an emergency disaster as outlined in § 31-1608, Idaho Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 31-828, Idaho Code, the Board of County Commissioners has the authority to do and perform all other acts necessary to fully discharge the duties of the chief executive authority of county government; and

WHEREAS, taxing districts, healthcare systems and providers and departments of county government may request assistance from Idaho County to secure healthcare equipment and supplies, to establish and maintain population protection measures and provide for public safety; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, and declared by the Idaho County Board of Commissioners, as follows:

1. The Disaster Management Coordinator is authorized to act as the County point of contact for Coronavirus (COVID-19) taxing district, healthcare systems and provider expenditure requests; and
2. The Disaster Management Coordinator shall be assisted by the County Clerk's accounting staff in this endeavor; and
3. That the Disaster Management Coordinator is hereby authorized to expend up to \$75,000.00 in County funds to procure taxing district, healthcare systems and providers and departments of county government Emergency Protective Measure Category B needs, as defined by FEMA, and associated with duly submitted Requests for Assistance to the Idaho Office of Emergency Management and eligible for cost share reimbursement relative to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic during the Emergency Declaration; and
4. That Idaho County will pass on 100% of any remaining and outstanding cost share agreement by and between Idaho County, the State of Idaho and any participating federal entity to the original requesting entity; and
5. The Board of County Commissioners requests that all taxing districts and healthcare systems and providers, through their governance, identify personnel with spending authority and spending authority limits to work directly with Idaho County in the acquisition of and distribution of necessary Emergency Protective Measures; and

BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution 2020-05, known as Emergency Expenditure Authorization shall be effective from the date of adoption to September 30, 2020.

Approved and Adopted in open session this 24th day of March, 2020.

IDAHO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



R. Skipper Brandt, Chairman

Absent - Affirmed via phone
Mark Frei, Commissioner



Denis Duman, Commissioner

ATTESTED:



Kathy Ackelman
Idaho County Clerk



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BOARD OF IDAHO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

To: Idaho Office of Emergency Management
c/o: General Brad Richy
4040 Guard Street, Bldg. #600
Boise, ID 83705-5004

Date: 24 March 2020

Re: Idaho County Disaster Declaration Resolution 2020-05
State Proclamation ID-01-2020 Coronavirus

Delegation of Authority to Manage Emergency Disaster Request(s) for Assistance,
Acting as Point of Contact and Document Signatories

The Idaho County Commissioners do hereby appoint Jerry Zumalt to manage all Emergency Disaster Requests for Assistance with the State of Idaho and federal government; act as Point of Contact (POC) for Idaho County, the municipalities, taxing districts and healthcare systems requesting assistance; and during the disaster response and recovery sign all hard copy documents related thereto. Jerry is authorized to enter requests for assistance for eligible emergency response costs up to \$75,000.

The effective date of this delegation shall be from 23 March 2020 until either the close of the disaster by Idaho County, the end of the fiscal year (30 September 2020), or termination by the State of Idaho and shall include any subsequent Federal declaration that may result from a Governor's request or Presidential action on behalf of Idaho County, Idaho should one be made.

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R. Skipper Brandt, Chairman

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Mark Frei, Member

Handwritten signature of Denis B. Duman in blue ink.

Denis Duman, Member

Idaho County Resolution 2020-06

COVID-19 and Idaho County Courthouse Operations

The Board of Idaho County Commissioners continues to monitor local threat for the coronavirus. We urge area residents to use prudence with regards to public interaction and to follow the basic guidelines of frequent handwashing and good personal hygiene.

We recommend and adopt the following directives as set forth by President Trump:

- 1) Listen to and follow the directions of your state and local authorities.
- 2) If you feel sick, stay home. Do not go to work. Contact your medical provider.
- 3) If your children are sick, keep them at home. Do not send them to school. Contact your medical provider. (ALL AREA SCHOOLS ARE CURRENTLY CLOSED. WE DEFER TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS CONCERNING THE REOPENING OF SCHOOLS.)
- 4) If someone in your household has tested positive for the coronavirus, keep the entire household at home. Do not go to work. Do not go to school. Contact your medical provider.
- 5) If you are an older person, stay home and away from other people. (IF YOU NEED NON-MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HAVE NO ONE TO TURN TO, PLEASE CONTACT THE RECORDER'S OFFICE AT 208-983-2751 AND WE WILL TRY TO CONNECT YOU WITH APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY RESOURCES.)
- 6) If you are a person with a serious underlying health condition that can put you at increased risk (for example, a condition that impairs your lung or heart function or weakens your immune system), stay home and away from other people. (IF YOU NEED NON-MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HAVE NO ONE TO TURN TO, PLEASE CONTACT THE RECORDER'S OFFICE AT 208-983-2751 AND WE WILL TRY TO CONNECT YOU WITH APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY RESOURCES.)
- 7) Even if you are young, or otherwise healthy, you are at risk and your activities can increase the risk for others. It is critical that you do your part to stop the spread of the coronavirus:
 - a. Work or engage in schooling from home whenever possible.
 - b. If you work in a critical infrastructure industry, as defined by the Department of Homeland Security, such as healthcare services and pharmaceutical and food supply, you have a special responsibility to maintain your normal work schedule. You and your employers should follow CDC guidance to protect your health at work.

- c. Avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people.
- d. Avoid eating or drinking in bars, restaurants, and food courts – use drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options. PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES IF POSSIBLE BY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THEIR OPTIONAL SERVICES.
- e. Avoid discretionary travel, shopping trips, and social visits.
- f. Do not visit nursing homes or retirement or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance.

8) Practice good hygiene:

- a. Wash your hands, especially after touching any frequently used item or surface.
- b. Avoid touching your face.
- c. Sneeze or cough into a tissue, or the inside of your elbow.
- d. Disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible.

In following the general directives of other counties in our area, we are working to prepare in the event modifications to courthouse operations need to be made.

COMMUNICATION

We will endeavor to provide timely and relevant communication to Idaho County employees and the public at large. Communication will occur via the local media, the Idaho County website (www.idahocounty.org), and through social media (the ICSO Facebook page and the Idaho County Elections Facebook page).

IDAHO COUNTY EMPLOYEE CONSIDERATIONS

The Board of Idaho County Commissioners values our employees. As such, should any employee need to self-quarantine, they may avail themselves to their available accrued leave (sick/vacation/comp time). In the event any employee does not have sufficient accrued leave, upon the approval of their supervisor, they may be granted emergency sick leave pursuant to the Idaho County Employee Handbook.

Additionally, the Idaho County Handbook states in Section 4(C)11 concerning insurance coverage that “Employees are required to utilize any available vacation or compensatory time to meet the required level of hours worked in order to qualify for County insurance coverage. In the event an employee is unable to meet this requirement, the cost of their full premium will be deducted from their pay.” Given the uncertain nature of when school may resume and recognizing the child care and family needs of our employees, this requirement is temporarily waived in situations where an employee has no available accrued leave. Once school resumes, the original provisions of this section will be reinstated. The temporary waiver will apply during the scheduled school year and will not carry over into Summer break.

Lastly, there have been changes made to the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) that become effective April 2, 2020. These changes include a provision for leave for employees whose children’s schools or childcare providers have closed (see Emergency Family and Medical Leave

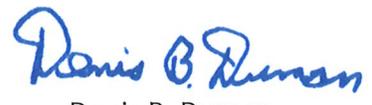
Expansion Act.) Idaho County adheres to the provisions of FMLA. Employees who find themselves in a situation where they are absent from work due to some consequence of COVID 19 societal constraints should contact Payroll for additional information and assistance.

Dated this 24th day of March, 2020



R. Skipper Brandt, Chairman

Mark Frei



Denis B. Duman

ATTEST:



Kathy M. Ackerman,
Idaho County Clerk