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AMENDED PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER

RE: COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

March 24, 2020

This Public Health Order is issued pursuant to Colo. Rev. Stat. §25-1-506 and other applicable authority.

On March 10, 2020, the Governor of Colorado declared a State of Emergency related to the presence of COVID-19 in the State. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has confirmed that COVID-19 continues to spread throughout the State of Colorado.

On March 13, 2020, Larimer County declared a Local Disaster Emergency related to COVID-19.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency due to COVID-19.

On March 15, 2020 the Larimer County Public Health Director issued a Public Health Order prohibiting Events of 250 or more people and all Events at Senior Community Centers. The Larimer County Department of Public Health and Environment ("LCDHE") has continued to monitor the situation.

On March 16, 2020, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment issued an order closing all bars, restaurants, theaters, gymnasiums and casinos.

On March 17, 2020 the Larimer County Public Health Director issued an order closing all bars, restaurants, theaters and gymnasiums, and restricting Events to 50 people or less.

On March 19, 2020 the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment issued an order closing Nonessential Personal Service Facilities to the public.

On March 19, 2020, a local emergency was declared for the Town of Estes Park due to COVID-19.





On March 21, 2020 the Larimer County Public Health Director issued a Public Health Order ceasing the operations and vacating the premises of all short-term lodging in the Estes Valley.

On March 22, 2020, the Governor of the State of Colorado issued Executive Order D2020-013 ordering non-critical workplaces to reduce their in-person workforce by 50% and to implement telework capabilities to the greatest extent possible due to the presence of COVID-19 in the state ("March 22 Reduced Workforce EO").

On March 22, 2020, the Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Health and Environment, pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute §§ 25-1.5-101(1)(a) and 25-1.5-102(1)(a)(I), also issued an order defining critical businesses and critical government functions that are exempt from the directives of EO D2020-013 ("March 22 CDPHE Reduced Workforce Order").

On March 24, 2020 the Governor of Colorado issued guidance to law enforcement and detention centers in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.

I. BASIS FOR ORDER

The virus that causes Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) is easily transmitted, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of the Community Corrections Facility to appropriately function and maintain security.

Allowing residents to continue to go into the community and return to the facility increases the risk of an outbreak in the facility and compromises the ability of the facility to maintain the health and safety of the residents, as well as the security of the facility.

This Order is adopted pursuant to the legal authority set forth in sections 25-1-506, Colorado Revised Statutes. Under this law, the Larimer County Public Health Director has the duty to investigate and control the causes of epidemic or communicable diseases and conditions affecting public health and to establish, maintain, and enforce isolation and quarantine, and in pursuance thereof, and for this purpose only, to exercise physical control over property and over the persons of the people within the jurisdiction of the agency as the agency may find necessary for the protection of the public health, and to close public places and to prohibit gatherings of people when necessary to protect public health.

I. ORDER:

Effective at 5p.m. on March 24, 2020,



Section 1: All residents of the Community Corrections Facility who would otherwise be allowed to enter the community for work reasons are ordered to remain in the facility and to cease going into the community until April 17, 2020. This is necessary to protect the health and safety of the facility.

IV. FURTHER GUIDANCE

Further guidelines for social distance are available at www.larimer.org/health

V. GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PERSONS AFFECTED BY THIS ORDER

LCDHE is tasked with protecting the health and welfare of the citizens of Larimer County, Colorado by investigating and controlling the causes of epidemic and communicable disease. This Order is necessary to control any potential transmission of disease to others. Immediate issuance of this Order is necessary for the preservation of public health, safety, or welfare.

Any person aggrieved and affected by this Order has the right to request judicial review; an action with the Larimer County District Court within 90 days of the date of this Order, pursuant to section 25-1-515, Colorado Revised Statutes. However, you must continue to obey the terms of this Order while your request for review is pending.

This Order takes effect at 9 a.m on March 25, 2020 and remains in effect for until April 17, 2020, unless otherwise extended in writing.

LCDHE is tasked with protecting the health and welfare of the citizens of Larimer County, Colorado by investigating and controlling the causes of epidemic and communicable disease. This Order is necessary to control any potential transmission of disease to others. See sections 25-1-506. Immediate issuance of this Order is necessary for the preservation of public health, safety, or welfare.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES CONTAINED IN SECTIONS 25-1-516 AND 18-1.3-501, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, INCLUDING A FINE OF UP TO FIVE THOUSAND (5,000) DOLLARS AND IMPRISONMENT IN THE COUNTY JAIL FOR UP TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS OR OTHER REMEDY AVAILABLE AT LAW.