



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Zuni Tribal Council and I have been monitoring the spread of the COVID-19, also known as the Coronavirus, throughout the U.S. and in New Mexico. We have been in discussions with Indian Health Service representatives and reviewing the Federal, NM State's response and other Tribes/Pueblos in the geographical area. We have come to the decision to restrict all Pueblo of Zuni employee (POZ) travel outside the organization, except for necessary travel for clients, necessary goods and services. POZ Directors, Managers, Staff and Contractors are required to make alternative arrangements for direct face to face meetings with outside individuals and entities.

All POZ community sponsored events are to be cancelled or postponed until further notice; but all one on one consultations, meetings and appointments with POZ staff, will need to be verified. For Division of Health and Human Services Programs, all on-site scheduled appointments on individual basis will continue with their service providers, however large group gatherings, sessions, activities and classes for elders, adults and youth should be cancelled, postponed or, suspended until further notice. Elder services will be continued on a limited basis.

POZ Transit system has begun implementing a sanitary cleaning system between long stops, and will soon begin to restrict the service to only two trips to Gallup (one in the morning and return service in the evening), but local service will continue as normal. If you have any questions about program services, call the programs directly or the Governor's Office

The purpose for these restrictions are to minimize the risk of spreading the COVID-19 to ourselves, and to our vulnerable loved ones. The Tribal Council and I strongly recommend that all employees and community members take all sanitary health precautions and restrict un-necessary travel.

This Notice of Emergency will begin immediately (March 12, 2020) and be reviewed at the end of 30 days to determine if these restrictions will continue.

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