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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Chevak Traditional Council is taking crucial steps to slow the spread of COVID-19 within the bounds of Chevak, Alaska.

A new health mandate issued Tuesday says people entering Alaska within 14 days of being in an area with widespread, ongoing community spread of coronavirus are considered higher risk. That includes places like China, Europe and other countries classified as Level 3 by the CDC. For Chevak's Purposes: Anchorage, Bethel and all other villages and communities outside the bounds of Chevak.

Adherence and keeping in compliance with the State of Alaska:

The state says higher risk travelers must:

- Stay home and avoid contact with other household/community members.
- Contact your employer and do not go to work or school for the 14-day period after you return, self-quarantine during that time.
- Stay about 6 feet away from Chevak residents.
- Contact your employer and stay home from work or school if you can't maintain a safe distance from others.
- Avoid crowded places and limit your activities in public

The health mandate comes from Governor Mike Dunleavy, Alaska Department of Health and Social Services Director Adam Crum, and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Anne Zink.

The state maintains the following guidance for higher and medium risk returning travelers:

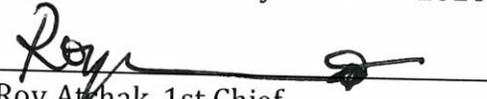
1. Take your temperature with a thermometer two times a day and monitor for fever. Also, watch for coughs or trouble breathing.
2. Do not take mass transportation during the time you are practicing social distancing.
3. Avoid crowded places and limit your activities in public.

4. Keep your distance from others (about 6 feet or 2 meters). If you get sick with fever ($>100.3^{\circ}\text{F}$), cough, or shortness of breath, please call the Chevak Clinic (907) 858-7029, Hooper Bay Subregional Clinic (907) (907) 758-3500, Yukon Kuskokwim Delta Regional Hospital (907) 543-6949.
5. If you seek medical care for other reasons, such as dialysis, call ahead to your doctor and tell them about your recent travel. If you have been in high-risk areas during your travel, you are required to self-quarantine for at least (14) days or more for the safety and well-being of others.

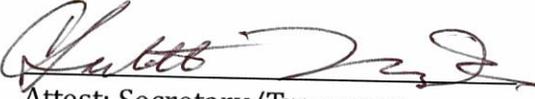
AS OF 03/24/2020 EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- ** All Chevak Traditional Council Public Buildings will be closed indefinitely.
- ** All Chevak Traditional Council activities are cancelled until further notice.
- ** The Chevak Traditional Council office building will be open to it's tribal members by appointment only.
- ** The Chevak Traditional Council meetings will be on-going; public notices will be posted within a 24 hour period. People to be heard will be "telephonic only" with prior arrangements with the Chevak Traditional Council administration.
- ** Chevak Native Village tribal members will only travel for essential medical purposes; upon return they shall provide a copy from a Health institution of their current health status.
- ** To protect the health and welfare of our Tribe and community members within the community of Chevak Native Village, we are hereby suspending all non-essential travel to the community of Chevak for non-tribal and non-community members. Though, with the exception to State Troopers, Health officials, Airport maintenance personnel, ARUC Water & Sewer employees, AVEC lineman, and UUI/GCI technicians. This will be effective for the next 30 days or longer if necessary.

Signed this 24th day of March 2020.


Roy Atchak, 1st Chief


Richard Tuluk, City Mayor


Attest: Secretary/Treasurer


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