



HEALTH ORDER 02-21 OF THE MAKAH TRIBAL COUNCIL February 16, 2021

Please read the following Order carefully. Any person or entity violating or failing to comply with this Order may be subject to civil fine of \$500. Persons or entities who commit multiple violations of this order may be subject to criminal prosecution and/or arrest.

Pursuant to the inherent and constitutional authority of the Makah Tribal Council, the Makah Tribal Council hereby **ISSUES THE FOLLOWING ORDER:**

I. Background and Definitions

The virus that causes Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) is easily transmitted between individuals and can be transmitted even by persons who do not appear to have any symptoms of the disease. Group settings provide optimal conditions for transmittal.

The first Health Order in response to COVID-19 (Health Order 01-20) was issued on March 20, 2020 in light of the existence of over 1,376 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State of Washington, as well as at least 74 deaths due to the disease. The Makah Tribal Council has issued subsequent Health Orders 02-20 on June 8, 2020, 03-20 on July 8, 2020, 04-20 on September 24, 2020, 05-20 on October 14, 2020, 06-20 on November 16, 2020, 07-20 on November 18, 2020, 08-20 on December 4, 2020, 09-20 on December 15, 2020 and 01-21 on January 8, 2021. As of February 11, 2021, there now exist over 329,047 confirmed cases in Washington State, including 964 cases in Clallam County and 10 cases on the Makah Reservation, and at least 4,702 deaths in Washington State.

The Makah Tribal Council recognizes the need to preserve life and protect all members of the community on the Makah Reservation, especially our members most vulnerable to experiencing serious illness (i.e. seniors aged 60 and older and persons with underlying conditions). Because of the rapid spread of the virus, it is necessary to proactively enforce modifications in community and social behaviors to prevent

unnecessary death.

II. Makah COVID-19 Public Health Protocols: Phase 3

Whereas there are no new cases of COVID-19 on the Makah Reservation since November 23, 2020 and there is no known community transmission;

Therefore, all individuals anywhere on the Makah Indian Reservation are ordered to follow the Makah COVID-19 Public Health Protocols under Phase 3.

Face masks remain required in all public spaces.

III. Household Groups

Household Groups may continue in accordance with the Makah COVID-19 Public Health Protocols with the exception that Household Units not located on the Reservation may not be considered a part of a Household Group for the duration of this order.

IV. Residents of Neah Bay and Traveling Protocols

Residents of Neah Bay must follow the Traveling Protocols under the Makah COVID-19 Public Health Protocols. If a Resident has Close Contact with someone in a High Risk Area or who they know to have possibly been exposed to COVID-19, that Resident must avoid Close Contact with anyone outside of their Household Group for 14 days.

V. Visitors to the Makah Indian Reservation

Only Enrolled Makahs and their household members traveling with them are allowed to visit the Makah Indian Reservation for the duration of this Health Order.

Business Visitors must complete the Business Visitor Attestation form.

All individuals eligible for essential services at STIHC and the COVID vaccine are allowed to access the reservation for the purpose of accessing those services only. These individuals may not visit homes on the Reservation and are only allowed to be on the Reservation for the date of those services.

COVID testing is no longer required prior to arrival.

VI. Enforcement

Pursuant to Makah Tribal Council Resolution No.12-21 the Makah Tribal Council directs the Chief of Police on the Reservation to enforce compliance of this Order. Any person or entity violating or failing to comply with this Order may be subject to civil fine of \$500. Multiple violations of this Order may be subject to criminal prosecution and/or arrest.

Final Statements

The Makah Tribal Council shall publish this Order: (1) by posting it on the Makah Portal makah.org, (2) makah.com, (3) at the Village Market, (4) at be'is, (5) at Washburns General Store, (6) at the Mini Mart, and (7) at the Post Office. In addition, the Makah Tribal Council must provide a copy of this Order to every business and facility operating within the Makah Reservation. The Makah Tribal Council shall maintain copies to provide to the public free of charge.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect upon the enactment of Resolution 12-21 of the Makah Tribal Council and continues in effect indefinitely unless it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the Makah Tribal Council. This Health Order supersedes Health Order 01-21 and all previous Makah Health Orders. Makah Tribal Council may revise this Order as the situation evolves, and individuals and facilities must stay updated by checking the Neah Bay Fact Line (360-645-3228) and makah.com.

If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.