

Resolution No.: 034-22  
Date Enacted: 03/31/2022  
Subject Matter: Health Order 04-22

RESOLUTION NO. 034-22 OF THE MAKAH TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Makah Tribal Council is the governing body of the Makah Indian Tribe of the Makah Indian Reservation in Washington by the authority of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Makah Indian as approved on May 16, 1936 by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, under the Constitution and By-Laws the Makah Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, and general welfare of the Makah Tribe and all Reservation residents; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Makah Tribal Council proclaimed a state emergency (Proclamation No. 2020-01) on the Makah Indian Reservation after the Governor of the State of Washington declared a state of emergency throughout the State of Washington as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak and confirmed person-to-person contact spread of COVID-19 in Washington state; and

WHEREAS, tools for preventing the spread of COVID-19, such as masking, physical distancing, and COVID vaccines, are known and widely available, and treatments to prevent severe disease and hospitalization from COVID-19 are also available; and

WHEREAS, the Makah Tribal Council still recognizes the presence of COVID-19 cases locally and in surrounding areas, as well as the continued burden on the regional healthcare systems, and that there remains an ongoing need to prevent the spread of COVID-19 to prevent loss of life.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Makah Tribal Council hereby approves Health Order 04-22.

MAKAH TRIBAL COUNCIL

  
Timothy J. Greene, Sr. Chairman

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at ( ) (special) meeting on March 31, 2022 at which time a quorum was present. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 4 FOR and 0 AGAINST, the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman in his absence being authorized to sign this resolution.

  
Rosella Johnson, Tribal Secretary





## **HEALTH ORDER 04-22 OF THE MAKAH TRIBAL COUNCIL Effective 04.01.22**

*Please read the following Order carefully. 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, 01-21 on January 8, 2021, 02-21 on February 16, 2021, 03-21 on March 22, 2021, 04-21 on July 6, 2021, 05-21 on August 3, 2021, 06-21 on September 5, 2021, 07-21 on September 17, 2021, and 08-21 on October 15. As of March 28, 2022, there has been over 1,454,772 confirmed and probable cases in Washington State, including 11,247 cases and 492 hospitalizations in Clallam County and 489 cases on the Makah Reservation, and at least 12,478 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.

For the purpose of this health order, people are considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19 >2 weeks after they have received the second dose of a 2-dose series vaccine (i.e. Moderna or Pfizer) or >2 weeks after they have received a single-dose vaccine (i.e. Johnson and Johnson)

**II. Makah COVID-19 Public Health Protocols are no longer in effect. Individuals are required to follow Makah Law & Order Code Title 14: Communicable Disease Code, CDC and local health jurisdiction mandates, recommendations and guidelines.**

The mask mandate was lifted for the community on Tuesday, March 15, 2022. However, it is highly recommended that people continue to wear a mask, preferably N95 or KN95, and especially high risk people. Local Businesses may require local and visiting customers to wear a mask when frequenting their business and they must comply.

Makah Proclamation #01-22 for the pandemic declaration shall remain in effect until such time the Makah Tribal Council rescinds the Order.

The Checkpoint will be removed as of April 1, 2022 and the Makah Tribal Council reserves the option to reinstate the Checkpoint should they deem necessary.

### **III. Visitors to the Makah Indian Reservation**

Non-Makah Personal Visitors are allowed on the Makah Reservation and are not required to provide official vaccination documentation in order to access the reservation.

Non-Makah Personal Visitors to the Makah Indian Reservation are required to follow all approved safety protocols, health orders and laws as stated in Section II above.

Non-Makah Business Visitors are allowed on the Makah Reservation and are required to follow all approved safety protocols, health orders and laws as stated in Section II above..

COVID testing is not required prior to arrival.

Mask Policy – It is highly recommended that people wear a mask, preferably N95 or KN95, especially those with underlying health conditions.

Local business have the discretion to require persons to wear a mask in their place of business and visitors are required to comply.

#### **IV. Enforcement**

Pursuant to Makah Tribal Council Resolution No. 026-22 the Makah Tribal Council directs the Chief of Police on the Reservation to enforce compliance of this Order. 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](http://makah.org), (2) [makah.com](http://makah.com), (3) at the Village Market, (4) at Washburns General Store, (5) at the Mini Mart, and (6) 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 03-22 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 09-21 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](http://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.