



## Tillamook County Board of Commissioners

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**May 15, 2020**

### **For Immediate Release**

On May 13, 2020 the Tillamook Board of County Commissioners voted unanimously to begin reopening privately owned transient and short-term lodging May 29, 2020, in cooperation with several of the cities in the county. The reopening provides a framework for opening lodging gradually and responsibly with public health and safety as the priority. Among other things, the plan requires owners and managers of lodging establishments to provide adequate Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), training and cleaning supplies for cleaning personnel, a minimum 24-hour turn around between occupancies to provide a safer environment for cleaning personnel and maintenance of a detailed guest log in order to facilitate contact tracing should an outbreak of COVID-19 occur.

For a complete list of requirements and recommendations please read the attached board resolution. This resolution applies to privately owned RV parks and campgrounds. All publicly owned campgrounds remain closed at this time.

The reopening plan was developed with invaluable input from Tillamook County lodging providers, to whom we are grateful for their support and their sacrifice for the health and welfare of the community we share.

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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON**

In the Matter of Opening Certain	)	RESOLUTION
Tillamook County Transient Lodging	)	#R-20-013
Facilities on May 29, 2020	)	
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This matter came before the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners on May 13, 2020. The Board of Commissioners, being fully apprised of the records and files herein, finds as follows:

1. Under the emergency powers granted by ORS 401.305, on March 14, 2020 the Board of Commissioners signed Resolution #R-20-005 designating a State of Emergency within Tillamook County due to the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).
2. On March 22, 2020 the Board of Commissioners signed Resolution #20-006 continuing the emergency and closing within Tillamook County all transient lodging facilities.
3. On May 5, 2020 the Board of Commissioners signed Resolution #20-010 continuing the emergency through May 31, 2020.
4. Although the emergency still exists, the Board deems it is appropriate to continue reopening county facilities in a safe and strategic manner.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, the following are effective immediately:**

5. Private transient lodging facilities within the unincorporated areas of Tillamook County may be open beginning May 29, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. This resolution does not apply to publicly owned transient lodging facilities. All publicly owned transient lodging facilities shall remain closed.
6. All transient lodging providers who choose to open on May 29, 2020 or later shall adhere to the guidelines in the attached hereto Exhibit A.
7. All county parks, parking lots, beach accesses, and certain parking areas along road rights-of-way remain closed.
8. This resolution in the matter of opening certain transient lodging facilities within the unincorporated areas of Tillamook County on May 29, 2020 shall remain in effect unless otherwise amended by the Board.

DATED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR  
TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

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ATTEST: Tassi O'Neil, County Clerk

BY: Richard Hayes  
Special Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

William K. Sargent  
William K. Sargent, County Counsel

## EXHIBIT A

### PHASE I IMPLEMENTATION: MAY 29, 2020

- All transient lodging facilities within unincorporated Tillamook County may reopen at 12:00 pm noon on Friday, May 29, 2020 provided they comply with the following requirements:
  - Operating facilities must implement and adhere to Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Center for Disease Control (CDC) cleaning guidelines for best cleaning practices.
  - Adequate supplies of PPE including but not limited to face masks/shields and gloves shall be kept on-hand for housekeeping staff and adjunct services in all operating facilities.
  - All efforts to require guests follow social distancing measures shall be taken by management. Management shall maintain adequate supplies of gloves and face masks/shields in all operating facilities and lodging units for guest use during their stay upon guest request.
  - Posting of CDC/OHA guidance on personal safety protocols, including the use of masks, social distancing and handwashing. Guidance shall be posted in a highly visible location within all operating facilities and lodging units.
  - Owners/Operators/Managers of all operating lodging facilities shall take the following actions:
    - Additional training of housekeeping staff and direct supervision of cleaning activities to ensure OHA and CDC guidelines for best cleaning practices are implemented for the duration of time necessary where threat of COVID-19 remains present within Tillamook County.
    - Guidance dealing with a suspected COVID-19 infection.
    - Maintenance of guest log and their contact information for each unit in the event this information is needed for contact tracing due to a COVID-19 outbreak. This log shall be maintained for the duration of time necessary where threat of COVID-19 remains present within Tillamook County.
    - Prior to guest arrival and 48 hours in advance, an email shall be sent to each party with the following language:
      - Confirmation that no person in their party has recently experienced any flu or cold symptoms or had a fever within in the last 10 days.
      - Confirm that no one in their party has been exposed to or interacted with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 days.
      - Guests will follow social distancing measures for the duration of their stay.
      - Guests acknowledge Tillamook County resident concerns related to increased risk of exposure of COVID-19 in Tillamook County rural communities as we move into summer vacation season and that all guests will make every effort to be good citizens and respectful neighbors during their stay. This includes adhering to the hours of quiet time, parking requirements and contact person response times as outlined in Tillamook County Ordinance #84.
  - Hotel/Motel/Bed & Breakfast Enterprises/Short Term Rentals and other transient lodging units with rental turnover potential to multiple guests:

- A minimum 24-hour turnaround time be maintained between guests to provide a safer environment for housekeeping personnel to conduct cleaning and sanitizing practices.
- RV Parks & Campgrounds:
  - Recreational vehicle and tent spaces shall be assigned with every effort possible to maintain at least 10-feet of separation between occupied spaces.
  - A notice shall be posted on the doors of all shared facilities (i.e. restrooms, shower and laundry facilities) limiting occupancy to two persons at a time per room so that 6 feet of separation can be maintained inside the facility.

**The following measures are also strongly recommended to be implemented upon reopening of transient lodging facilities but are not required as part of the phased reopening plan:**

- Removal of extra blankets/throws, pillows, rugs and other porous decorative items within lodging units that are not needed for guest accommodations so that risk of virus contamination on items throughout the lodging unit is reduced.
- Operating facilities keep extra supplies of pillows, blankets, linens, mattress covers and comforters so that entire bedding sets can be rotated between guests.
- Increased cleaning practices with use of steamers, fog, spraying or similar devices so drapes, carpets, furniture and other porous surfaces can also be cleaned and sanitized between guests.
- To reduce risk to housekeeping staff, request that guests start laundry and dishwashing facilities before check-out and provide self-contained laundry bags for guests to collect dirty laundry for easy collection prior to starting laundry before check-out.
- For guests staying in self-contained facilities, encourage them to arrive with their necessary food staples to reduce concerns about local grocery stores being depleted of supplies.
- Limiting occupancy of vacation rentals so that social distancing and shelter in place measures can continue to be carried out.