



Lassen COVID-19: Incident Command



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To date, the Lassen County COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) total tests are as follows:

0 - Known cases
122 - Negative
1 - Pending
123 – Total Tests

On Thursday, April 30, 2020, the COVID-19 Incident Commanders, Barbara Longo and Sheriff Dean Growdon, along with the COVID-19 Public Information Officer, Richard Egan went live on the LassenCares Facebook page to address recent call center inquiries and live questions from viewers.

During the live broadcast, the panel focused on the Recovery Plan for reopening Lassen County from the state health officer's orders from March 16, 2020. On April 28, 2020, Governor Newsom addressed six indicators for a roadmap to recovery. From this roadmap, the Incident Command team created a plan for Lassen County. This plan was presented to the Board of Supervisor's during a special meeting on May 1, 2020. The plan focuses on protecting high risk residents, supporting businesses, schools, and childcare, in addition to addressing a plan for action in the event of a surge in COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) cases.

The most pressing question on the minds of residents in Lassen County are when the county businesses can resume operations. It is important that these businesses understand the process that needs to be followed in order to continue to keep our county safe. For business owners with a desire to reopen their establishments, the Incident Command team is asking for the business owners to complete a thirty question survey found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/lcreopening>.

The Incident Commanders and PIO addressed the desire to mass test residents when it becomes available. Lassen County has the ability to complete mass testing due to the drive thru flu clinics which have served to train and maintain the skills necessary for implementation of this type of testing.

Opening recreational areas in the near future is also a concern from residents. Sheriff Dean Growdon addressed the issue by stating that the Forest Service is keeping Eagle Lake closed until May 15. Growdon said they would be reaching out to the Forest Service and the local health officer to monitor the opening.

To watch the live recording from April 30, please visit the LassenCares Facebook page.