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2020 SE Spokane County Fair Canceled

ROCKFORD, WA, June 16, 2020 - The Southeast Spokane County Fair board members voted unanimously to cancel the 76th annual fair, scheduled for September 25-27, 2020.

Despite thorough efforts, the SESCOF board determined any plans for a successful, practical and traditional fair this year were unlikely given expected state and county requirements. In addition, an event of this type requires many hours of planning and significant preparation costs, which may be spent in vain. Therefore, the board decided it was best to cancel as it is not guaranteed Spokane County will reach Phase 4 of the *Stay Home, Stay Safe* order, or will have lifted gathering restrictions, by September.

This extremely difficult decision was made in the best interest of all - The health and safety of the community is too important to risk. The board is devastated by this determination but is confident it was made with complete and thoughtful consideration of all options.

The board looks forward to welcoming all to gather again as a community as soon as it is practical and safe.