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PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

COVID-19: Protecting the Public and Employees as County Facilities Reopen

LAKE COUNTY, CA (May 29, 2020) – With COVID-19 still a significant concern in our region, Lake County residents are encouraged to Stay Safe at Home whenever possible. County Departments are seeking to provide comprehensive services in the safest possible manner, and some availability of in-person services is now permissible under the Health Orders, provided social distancing and other precautions are strictly observed.

As of Monday, June 1, most County offices will be reopening to the public Monday-Thursday, 8am-5pm, as an enhancement of services that have been available remotely throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Like all businesses reopening in Lake County, County Departments are self-certifying they are taking appropriate safety measures. Departmental certifications will be posted at County offices upon reopening.

Each certification form will include contact information, if you wish to submit a complaint.

Health-focused complaints regarding any Lake County business, including County Departments, may also be submitted to: MHOAC@lakecountyca.gov.

"Residents can Stay Safe at Home and still access many essential County services," notes Moke Simon, Chair of the Lake County Board of Supervisors. "Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, County Departments have adapted, and are now able to deliver services without requiring an inperson visit."

County Administrative Officer, Carol Huchingson, and Court Executive Officer, Krista LeVier, recently estimated 350-400 people passed through security at the County Courthouse during a typical pre-COVID-19 week.

Those at elevated risk of severe COVID-19 complications may wish to reach out to a County Department, and arrange for service without physically visiting the Courthouse or another County facility.

A County Department Directory is available at: http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Government/Directory.htm

The County of Lake's Worksite Prevention Protocol is viewable here: http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Assets/Departments/Administration/Docs/ReturnToWork.pdf