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NEWS BRIEF: Colusa County Advances to Orange (Moderate) Tier of COVID-19 Blueprint for a Safer Economy; Health Officials Urge Continued Adherence to Public Health Protocols as Cases Continue to Rise

Based upon local COVID-19 (Coronavirus) metrics from the week of 10/18 – 10/24, Colusa County has officially advanced to the Orange (Moderate) Tier of the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy. Earlier today, Colusa County was notified by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) that our local COVID-19 metrics have allowed the county to move from the Red (Substantial) Tier to the Orange (Moderate) Tier, resulting in additional "loosening" of local restrictions. Every county in California is assigned to a Tier based upon its test positivity and adjusted case rate. At a minimum, counties must remain in a Tier for at least 3 weeks before moving forward. Data is reviewed weekly by CDPH, and Tiers are updated each Tuesday. This week, due to the election, Tiers were updated on Wednesday.

The Orange (Moderate) Tier further relaxes the capacity limits on indoor operations of essential businesses, allows for the reopening of indoor operations for wineries, and allows for the reopening of outdoor operations for bars, breweries, and distilleries (with modifications). In addition, schools are allowed to officially reopen, and family entertainment centers, cardrooms, satellite wagering, and offices can open indoor operations (with modifications). Details on case rates, as well as guidance for businesses can be accessed here: <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>.

Colusa County is the only jurisdiction to advance into a less restrictive Tier of the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy this week. However, [a recent increase in COVID-19 positive cases](#) may threaten this advancement in the coming weeks. The Colusa County Department of Health & Human Services would ask that we remain diligent in ensuring compliance to the face covering Order, continue maintaining 6-ft physical distancing, continue hand washing and proper hygiene, and remain home if sick, or exposed to COVID-19.