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ELKO COUNTY COVID-19 TASK FORCE – A FEW IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Elko County continues to monitor the current risk of COVID-19 to our communities. To date, there have been two positive cases reported in the county which continue to be monitored by the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health. There have been no reported cases in Lander, Eureka, Humboldt, and White Pine counties.

Social Distancing

The Elko County COVID-19 Task Force reminds everyone that social distancing is one of the best preventive measures to help stop the spread of the virus. But, what exactly is social distancing?

Social distancing includes:

- Limiting the number of trips to potentially crowded, essential places like the grocery store, pharmacy, or gas station.
- Limiting the number of people who go with you to essential places.
- Ensuring you leave at least six feet between yourself and others while waiting in line.

Many grocery stores and other essential businesses are limiting the number of people who can enter the location at any one time. However, if you are waiting outside to access the essential business, please also ensure you are not gathering in a group. Leave at least six feet between you and those around you while standing in line to enter the building.

Safe Drinking Water

Elko County Public Works Superintendent, Jim Kerr, reminds everyone that your public water sources are safe to drink. The everyday, routine disinfection process of our water systems also kills the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Deep water wells also continue to provide safe drinking water because of the natural filtration process that occurs.

Hotline Update

We continue to make progress on the triage hotline. We are partnering with the UNR School of Medicine and local providers to support the hotline and ensure our community members receive information and address their COVID-19 concerns.

Stay Informed

Join us on Facebook where we will continue to provide regular updates to the progress and response to COVID-19 for Elko County and surrounding areas. Click [here](#) to follow us.

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