



**RESOLUTION
OF THE
WIND RIVER INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL**



**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-11385
NABC RESOLUTION NO. NABC-2020-11285**

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2020-11361 / NABC RESOLUTION NO. NABC-2020-1262.

WHEREAS, The Eastern Shoshone Tribe and the Northern Arapaho Tribe ("Tribes") are sovereign, federally recognized Indian Tribes with inherent authority to protect their members and residents within the Wind River Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The Wind River Intertribal Council ("WRITC") is the duly elected governing body within the Wind River Indian Reservation who is authorized under the laws of the Tribes and federal law to manage affairs relating to laws on the Wind River Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic is a public health crisis that has required swift and broad action in order to reduce and contain the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, the first official confirmed case of COVID-19 occurred on March 19, 2020 on the Wind River Reservation; and

WHEREAS, WRITC has taken significant measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 on the Wind River Reservation and protect the well-being of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2020, through Resolution No. 2020-11361/NABC Resolution No. NABC-2020-1262, the WRITC executed the revised public health order presented by the Director of Eastern Shoshone Tribal Health and the Chief Medical Officer of the Wind River Family and Community Health Care System, which has remained in effect since that time; and

WHEREAS, the WRITC's previously-enacted mandatory stay-at-home order was also reaffirmed through Resolution No. 2020-11361/NABC Resolution No. NABC-2020-1262 and has remained in effect since that time; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes have been successful in managing the spread of COVID-19 on the Wind River Reservation and have determined that rescinding certain aspects of the stay-at-home order to strike a safe balance between containing the spread of COVID-19 on the Wind River Reservation and protecting the economies of the Tribes is necessary and in the Tribes' best interest; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Medical Officer of the Wind River Family and Community Health Care System has formally advised the WRITC to revise the public health order implemented by Resolution No. 2020-11361/NABC Resolution No. NABC-2020-1262 and has made the following recommendations:

- Allow tribal government offices, tribal programs, and tribal businesses, such as casinos, hotels and stores, to resume business operations. To the extent applicable, the stay-at-home order should be lifted to allow employees of these operations to return to work;

- Mandate face coverings in all public places, including tribal offices, businesses, and clinics;
- Lift the 9:00 PM – 5:00 AM curfew to return to pre-COVID-19 regulations, as contemplated by Section 7-7-1 of the Shoshone & Arapaho Law and Order Code;
- Limit indoor gatherings to no more than 10 people with face coverings and social distancing measures in place, exempting immediate household members with more than 10 people living together;
- Limit outdoor gatherings to no more than 50 people with face coverings and social distancing measures in place; and
- Require that any outdoor gatherings with more than 50 people or any indoor gatherings with more than 10 people obtain a permit from the WRIC. As part of the permitting process, applicants should submit a plan detailing the COVID-19 precautions that will be taken, including mandatory face coverings; and
- Groups or Organizations that have previously received authorization to operate may continue to do so as long as they follow the mandatory mask mandate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the public health order implemented by Resolution No. 2020-11361/NABC Resolution No. NABC-2020-1262 shall be hereby revised as follows:

- Tribal government offices, tribal programs, and tribal businesses, such as casinos, hotels and stores, shall be permitted to resume business operations. Employees of these operations shall be permitted to return to work;
- Face coverings shall be required in all public places, including tribal offices, businesses, and clinics.
- The 9:00 PM – 5:00 AM curfew shall be lifted. Notwithstanding, the curfew for minors provided for under Section 7-7-1 of the Shoshone & Arapaho Law and Order Code shall remain in effect;
- Indoor gatherings shall be limited to no more than 10 people with face coverings and social distancing measures required. Immediate household members with more than 10 people living together shall be exempted;
- Outdoor gatherings shall be limited to no more than 50 people, with face coverings and social distancing measures required; and
- Outdoor gatherings with more than 50 people or any indoor gatherings with more than 10 people must obtain a permit from the WRIC. As part of the permitting process, applicants should submit a plan detailing the COVID-19 precautions that will be taken, including mandatory face coverings.
- Groups or Organizations that have previously received authorization to operate may continue to do so as long as they follow the mandatory mask mandate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution supersedes Resolution No. 2020-11361/NABC Resolution No. NABC-2020-1262 and all prior public health and stay-at-home orders to the extent that they are inconsistent with this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the non-conflicting aspects of Resolution No. 2020-11361/NABC Resolution No. NABC-2020-1262 and all prior public health and stay-at-home orders shall remain in effect until further notice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that additional advisories and orders will follow as conditions warrant which are to be reviewed in the first week of each month thereafter; and

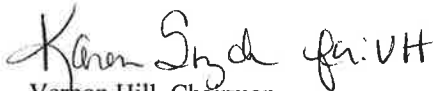
BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution does not extend to community halls, and academics such as schools (Head Start and/or Day Care centers); and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Chairman, or Vice-Chairman of the Shoshone Business Council and the Chairman or Co-Chairman of the Northern Arapaho Business Council are directed and authorized to execute and sign any documents necessary to implement this resolution for the Wind River Indian Reservation.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, as the Chairman of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council hereby certifies that the Eastern Shoshone Business Council, consists of six (6) members, of whom six (6) members of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, convened, and held this fourth (4th) day of August, 2020; that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of six (6) members of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council, and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Done at Fort Washakie, Wyoming this 4thth day of August, 2020.


Verhon Hill, Chairman
Eastern Shoshone Business Council

Attest:


Carolyn Shoyo, WRIC Executive Secretary

The undersigned, as the Chairman of the Northern Arapaho Business Council hereby certifies that the Northern Arapaho Business Council, consists of six (6) members, of whom four (4) members of the Northern Arapaho Business Council, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, convened, and held this fourth (4th) day of August, 2020; that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of four (4) members of the Northern Arapaho Business Councils, and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Done at Fort Washakie, Wyoming this 4th day of August, 2020.


Lee Spoonhunter, Chairman
Northern Arapaho Business Council

Attest:


Debbie Antelope, NABC Executive Assistant