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## The Town of Eagle Announces Response to COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus

For health and safety of employees and community, unprecedented changes in Town operations effective Monday, March 16 tentatively through Wednesday, April 1

**Eagle, Colorado** — March 15, 2020 — Starting March 16, 2020 The Town of Eagle is cancelling all non-essential, non-government meetings, events and has closed public access to town-owned facilities on a rolling basis to limit exposure and slow the transmission of the COVID-19 novel coronavirus.

The measure is one of a series of steps taken Monday by Town Manager Brandy Reitter to protect the Eagle community and Town workforce – including a declaration of local emergency that allows for greater flexibility in the deployment of Town employees, and acquisition of needed equipment, supplies and other resources.

"Please be assured that the Town is taking what we feel are cautious and prudent steps, in partnership with Eagle County and the State of Colorado. Our priority is the health of our community members, maintaining essential Town services, and taking steps to help minimize the spread of COVID-19 or novel coronavirus. We ask for your patience, and cooperation, in this effort," said Anne McKibbin, Mayor of Eagle, Colorado

Other steps include operational changes and closures of Town facilities to limit person-to-person spread of the virus. These changes include but may not be limited to; consolidation of in-person business transaction activity at Town Hall; shifting non-essential services to telephone-only; and reduction of hours for various departments.

The Town Manager is requiring non-essential, non-public safety municipal workers, whose duties allow, to begin making arrangements with supervisors to temporarily work remotely from home, through April 1, 2020. The goal of these arrangements is to continue to provide as many Town services as possible while minimizing in-person contact.

Members of the public may contact essential service divisions listed below:

- Community Development, Building Regulations, Code Enforcement, including permits and plan checks and review services. Please call (970) 328-9655 email angie.kyle@townofeagle.org
- Public Works, Engineering, Streets, Buildings & Grounds, including permits and plan check review services, inspections, and encroachments. Please call (970) 328-6678 or email <u>publicworks@towneagle.org</u>
- Utility Services, including residential and commercial billing customer service. Please call (970) 328-9621 or email <u>mark.herota@townofeagle.org</u>
- Financial Services, including taxes, payables and reporting. Please call (970) 328-9624 or email jill.kane@townofeagle.org
- Business and Residential Services, including licenses, elections, records, and municipal court. Please call (970) 328-9623 or email jenny.rakow@townofeagle.org
- Police and Law Enforcement Services, includes public safety matters. Please call (970) 479-2200 or email epd@townofeagle.org

All governmental meetings of the Eagle Board of Trustees and other boards, commissions and appointed bodies will continue to be held – with times, dates and locations published and shared on the Town <u>website</u>, via email, and in other ways and means required and provided for under state law. On March 19, 2020 a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held to review legislation enabling boards and commission to hold electronic meetings on a rolling-basis.

For more information on COVID-19, updates from Eagle County's Department of Public Health and the Environment, and additional resources, go online to https://www.eaglecounty.us/PublicHealth/Disease Prevention and Control/COVID-19/

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