June 3, 2020

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Dear Governor Brown:

On behalf of Tillamook County and Tillamook County’s Board of Commissioners, I am pleased to provide this documentation to demonstrate Tillamook County’s readiness to move into Phase II COVID-19 re-opening, effective June 8, 2020.

Tillamook County was approved to move into Phase I on May 15, 2020 and has continued to work closely with community partners to expand testing efforts and to promote physical distancing and hygiene. We are invested in a cautious, data-driven move through reopening Tillamook County.

As of today, Tillamook County has no active cases of COVID-19 and zero hospitalizations. Tillamook County has a strong community collaborative approach to containing the spread of disease with local partners meeting regularly and working hard to protect the health of the community.

- Tillamook County continues to work with local first responders and can attest that they have a 30-day supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) on hand.

- We have sufficient staff and resources to test, trace and isolate new cases. Tillamook County continues to train contact tracers, with 26 individuals readily available if needed, and more individuals having expressed interest and in the training process.

- There are no substantive changes to the responses submitted in the Phase I application.

- Tillamook County continues to maintain contracts with area lodging and health agencies for isolation/quarantine in order to meet a 20% increase in suspected or confirmed cases as needed.

We are committed to the health and safety of our residents and all Oregonians and have put together a blueprint that will guide us in monitoring the spread of COVID-19 and outlines our plan to adhere to state guidance reopening. Should data and conditions indicate a need, we are prepared to re-impose physical distancing measures either county-wide or in affected areas. We appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

Bill Baertlein, Chair
Mary Faith Bell, Vice-Chair
David Yamamoto, Commissioner

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