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To: Interested Parties

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Subject: Notice of Temporary Rulemaking – OAR 333-069-3000 and 333-070-3000 – "Adopting rules related to lead-based paint certification in response to COVID-19 Executive Orders"

The Oregon Health Authority (Authority), Public Health Division, is temporarily adopting OAR 333-069-3000 and 333-070-3000 to reduce the impacts of the Governor's Executive Orders 20-07 and 20-12 on certified lead-based paint professionals. The Executive Orders are the result of a declaration of an emergency due to the public health threat posed by the novel infectious coronavirus (COVID-19). Executive Order 20-07 prohibits gatherings of more than 25 people. Executive Order 20-12 requires individuals to stay at home except for essential needs and to maintain social distancing when in public. The Executive Orders have resulted in the cancellation of many in-person recertification trainings and the inability for trained individuals to complete required exams in specified timeframes.

These temporary rules will extend certification expiration dates and expand the testing window to allow lead-based paint professionals to operate legally until November 7, 2020 or two months after the Governor's Order is lifted.

For more details, please see the Temporary Administrative Order including the Statement of Need and Justification and the full text of the temporary rules at the following website: <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HEALTHYENVIRONMENTS/HEALTHYNEIGHBORHOODS/LEADPOISONING/Pages/index.aspx>

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