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EL DORADO COUNTY MOVES TO ORANGE TIER IN STATE'S COVID-19 REOPENING PLAN

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The following statement can be attributed to Carla Hass, Communications Director for El Dorado County

(PLACERVILLE, CA) – “We are pleased to announce that El Dorado County is eligible to move from the Substantial/Red tier to the Moderate/Orange tier in the State’s COVID-19 Blueprint for a Safer Economy, meaning more indoor business operations can open with fewer modifications. The change becomes effective Wednesday, April 7, 2021.

“This relaxing of restrictions on our businesses and residents is a much-needed boost to those who have struggled for more than a year, including those who own the impacted establishments, those who work there and customers alike.

“However, with several variant strains of the virus circulating throughout the country, neighboring counties and two in El Dorado County, it remains important that our residents and visitors continue to wear masks and remain physically distant as indicated by health officials even as we continue moving away from the height of the pandemic.

“Governor Newsom also announced that on June 15th that all industries across the state can return to normal operations, eliminating the Blueprint and tier system completely. This change will take place as long as there is enough vaccine supply and hospitalization rates remain low and stable. Common-sense health measures such as masking will remain across the state. Additional details about how the state moves beyond the Blueprint can be found here: https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/beyond_memo.aspx”

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