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RE: FISHING CONTEST PERMITS

To whom it may concern:

In order to ensure compliance with Governor Gavin Newsom's statewide COVID-19 emergency mandate (Executive Order N-33-20), the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) is encouraging all fishing contest permittees to cancel contests scheduled through April 30, 2020.

It is the permit sponsor's responsibility to be informed and follow each County and City emergency mandates.

The Department may notify law enforcement if any fishing contest permittee holds a contest in violation of the Governor's statewide order.

On or before April 30, 2020, the Department will review all applicable guidelines set forth by the Governor to determine if the suspension of fishing contests should be lifted or continued.

Please refer to the Department's webpage for future notices and recommendations on fishing contests: <https://wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Inland/Contests>.

If you have any questions please email Roger Bloom at roger.bloom@wildlife.ca.gov

Sincerely,

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