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**EMERGENCY BEACH CLOSURE ORDER AMENDED TO INCLUDE
FRIDAY, JULY 3 THROUGH SUNDAY, JULY 5
Peninsula-wide Closure of Beaches
Due to COVID-19 Transmission Concerns**

Monterey, CA – Yesterday’s announcement of an emergency order to close Monterey beaches over the 4th of July weekend has been advanced to include Friday, July 3. The order closes all beaches to the public from 12:01 AM on July 3, 2020 to 11:59 PM on July 5, 2020. Exceptions include all recreational uses of the ocean as outlined in the [Order](#). People found in violation of the beach order are subject to a \$100 fine for the first violation, \$150 for a second violation, and \$200 for a third violation. The Order also closes or limits nearby parking. Parking violations are subject to a \$125 fine.

“We have a very compelling reason to close beaches with the spike in COVID-19 positive cases in the County and the anticipation of large crowds coming here to celebrate Independence Day during this three-day weekend,” said City Manager Hans Uslar.

Pacific Grove, Carmel, and Pebble Beach are following suit and closing their respective beaches. City Manager Hans Uslar said, “I appreciate the uniform approach on the Monterey Peninsula that follows the City’s announcement yesterday to close beaches. It also sends a strong message to potential violators that we are serious about protecting the public health of our community.”

Governor Gavin Newsom has also mandated beach closures in other parts of California, and closures of State Beach parking lots statewide. He reiterated numerous times his concern about Californian’s ignoring the State Public Health Orders, and has said that ignoring restrictions is not only damaging our fight against the virus, but also our ability to reignite the economy.

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The City of Monterey also mandated a new order on July 1, 2020 that applies an administrative citation of \$100 for the first violation for anyone not wearing a mask when required. *Read the Face Covering Emergency Order and the Beach Closure Emergency Order at www.monterey.org/coronavirus*

The Amended Order is available here:

https://monterey.org/Portals/0/News/Covid19/20_0702-Amended-Beach-Closure-Order.pdf

Read the related news release about 4th of July events happening in Monterey:

https://monterey.org/Portals/0/Newsroom/2020/20_0629-July-4th-Events.pdf

BEACH CLOSED

**OCEAN ACCESS
ONLY**

July 3rd through July 5th



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**NO MASK =
\$100 FINE**

MINIMUM

**FACE COVERINGS
REQUIRED**



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