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NEWS RELEASE

Monday, January 3, 2022, 2:30pm, News Release no. 247 *Coronavirus COVID-19*

UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT:

Current Active Cases ------ 20 Industry-Quarantined -----16 Community ------ 4

The City of Unalaska's Declaration of Emergency expired on December 31, 2021. Therefore:

- Unalaska's Unified Command / EOC has stood down.
- Regular News Releases like this related to COVID-19 will no longer be issued. Information about local case counts and wastewater surveillance testing can be found on the City's COVID-19 Data Hub at https://covid19-response-unalaska.hub.arcgis.com/.
- The Unalaska City Council will no longer establish Community-Wide COVID-19 Protective Measures, though private businesses and organizations may have their own rules about wearing face coverings, social distancing and other protocols in their establishments.
- There are no travel restrictions into Unalaska / Dutch Harbor and no rules for testing or quarantine. Incoming travelers are encouraged to quarantine and monitor for illness after arrival; and to get tested if symptoms develop. Various employers may have their own COVID-19 protocols.
- The responsibility to practice protective measures rests on each individual. Everyone is encouraged to protect yourself, your family and the community. The best way to prevent illness is to be fully vaccinated and to avoid being exposed to the virus. Because the virus spreads easily person-to-person, protective measures are crucial so that the spread of disease can be reduced:
 - Get your COVID vaccines and booster shot!
 - Frequently wash your hands with soap and water
 - Use 60% alcohol content hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available
 - o Do not touch your eyes, nose & mouth with unwashed hands
 - Wear a covering over nose & mouth in public places
 - Cover your nose & mouth with tissue when you cough or sneeze; throw the tissue away; and then wash your hands
 - Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces
 - Limit contact with unvaccinated people
 - Avoid contact with people who are sick
 - Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care
 - If you're feeling even mildly ill with symptoms like fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea, contact the IFHS Clinic at 581-1202 or Oonalaska Wellness Center at 581-2742 for screening and testing
- Visit the State of Alaska COVID-19 Data Hub for a wealth of information, both for our region and across Alaska: <u>https://alaska-coronavirus-vaccine-outreach-alaska-dhss.hub.arcgis.com/</u>