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MESSAGE FROM KASKA LEADERSHIP

KASKA DENA COVID-19 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Kaska Leadership implores everyone to respect the rules and regulations surrounding social distancing and refrain from getting together with family, outside of those you are currently living with.

STAY THE COURSE – Now is **NOT THE TIME** to relax social distancing or deviate from the policies that your Leaders and Emergency Operation Centers have set out to protect you.

Do **NOT** travel to other communities and continue to protect our Elders.

We have yet to record a positive COVID-19 case. Please continue to do what you are doing. **STAY THE COURSE**

COVID-19 is not just a danger to our **ELDERS**. More and more, **ADULTS and CHILDREN** are starting to die because of this virus. **NONE OF US ARE IMMUNE**.

It cannot be stressed enough: WE CANNOT AFFORD TO ALLOW FOR COVID-19 TO GET INTO OUR COMMUNITIES.

All of our Kaska communities continue their hard work to protect, prepare and prevent our members from COVID-19 infections. Each community has taken their own unique approach led tirelessly by their own Emergency Operation Committees.

Daylu Dena Council Update

Daylu Dena Council (DDC) is still operating under a State of Emergency, monitors a gate at the entrance to the community and continues to stress that it is essential that community members do not travel unless necessary. DDC has met with Elders to check in with them. Wood and fuel are being ordered for each household. Rent payment has been forgiven for April and May. Food supply is good, and DDC Store continues to

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operate and stock the shelves. The community garden is available for use and interested homes have received their own small seed starter kit.

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Dease River First Nation Update

DRFN have delivered informational material to all households and monitor a gate at the entrance to the community. Members are reminded to maintain social distancing and only go to town for essential supplies. Food has been ordered for the community, and members both on and off reserve have been provided with financial support for essential needs.

EOC Coordinator is Norma Martens – <u>drfnhealth@gmail.com</u> Phone: 250-239-3000

Kwadacha Update

Information on COVID-19 and Kwadacha's policies have been hand delivered to all households. Members are reminded to practice self-distancing. The road is still closed/monitored. For those coming to Kwadacha to go to the store they are escorted in and out of the community. Food is still being delivered through the regular shipments. The hydroponic greenhouses are producing vegetables now and a root vegetable garden is planned.

Wall tents and stoves have been purchased for people who want to go out onto the land to camp. A team is being hired to set up the camp for people. Youth activities are a priority, and to address this need plans are being made to take small groups of youth out onto the land with a counselor.

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