



ADDENDUM TO  
SAFER AT HOME ORDER FOR CONTROL OF COVID-19  
**Temporary Closure of Public Trails and Trailheads, Beaches,  
Piers, Beach Bike Paths and Beach Access Points**

Date Order Issued: March 27, 2020

**Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a crime punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code §120295; Los Angeles County Code § 11.02.080.)**

**SUMMARY OF THE ORDER:** This County of Los Angeles Health Officer Order (Order) amends the Health Officer Order of March 21, 2020, to include the temporary closure of all public beaches, public trails, and trailheads within the Public Health Jurisdiction of the County of Los Angeles. The County of Los Angeles Public Health Jurisdiction is defined as all unincorporated areas and cities within the County of Los Angeles, with the exception of the cities of Long Beach and Pasadena.

The County of Los Angeles and its Department of Public Health observed an unusually high volume of beach and trail users on March 21 and 22, which seriously impeded the beach and trail users' practice of safe and necessary social distancing measures (avoiding crowds and maintaining distance of 6 feet from others who are not household members or close contacts). This heavy amount of beach and trail use by numerous groups of people does not allow for safe social distancing, and therefore seriously impedes community efforts to stem the local transmission of COVID-19. Accordingly, this Order is necessary to both enforce social distancing measures and stem the spread of COVID-19 within the community.

**UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS:**

1. All public trails and trailheads within the County of Los Angeles Public Health Jurisdiction are to be temporarily closed to the public as of March 27, 2020, in order to limit the gathering of crowds of people on these public trails and trailheads to further stem the spread of COVID-19 among the greater Los Angeles community.
2. All public beaches, piers, public beach parking lots, beach bike paths that traverse that sanded portion of the beach, and beach access points within the County of Los Angeles Public Health Jurisdiction are to be temporarily closed to the public as of March 27, 2020, to limit gathering of crowds of people on public beaches to further stem the spread of COVID-19 among the greater Los Angeles community.
3. This Order shall be effective immediately and continue through April 19, 2020.

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ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER**



4. Persons may continue to use currently open and publicly available park space, not prohibited by this Order, for passive recreational activities, while practicing social distancing.
5. This Order incorporates by reference the March 21, 2020 County Health Officer Order.
6. To protect the public's health, the Health Officer may take additional action(s) for failure to comply with this Order. Violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment, fine or both under California Health and Safety Code Section 120295 et seq. Further, pursuant to Sections 26602 and 41601 of the California Government Code and Section 101029 of the California Health and Safety Code, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and Chiefs of Police in all cities, and lifeguards located in the Los Angeles County Public Health Jurisdiction ensure compliance with this Order.

**IT IS SO ORDERED:**

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Muntu Davis, M.D., M.P.H.  
Health Officer, County of Los Angeles

Date: MARCH 27, 2020