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Huntington Beach Will Close All City Beach Parking Lots as Added Precaution to Prevent Spread of COVID-19

City Beach Parking Lots Will Close, Effective Wednesday, March 25

The City will be closing all beach parking lots effective Wednesday, March 25, 2020, in an effort to further limit large gatherings as we all work together to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus. This action comes on top of prior efforts that saw the City shut down the Huntington Beach Pier and outdoor active recreational facilities today.

The decision to close the beach parking lots was made today in coordination with other local agencies and after discussions with the State of California. The Governor announced publicly yesterday that the State would be closing their park and beach parking lots in an effort to flatten the curve. While the announcement of the closure of State park and beach parking lots does not yet include the closure of Bolsa Chica State Beach or the Huntington State Beach parking lots, that determination could be made in the coming days. In an effort to coordinate the City's response and get ahead of the rapidly changing situation, the City of Huntington Beach will be closing all City beach parking lot facilities beginning on Wednesday, March 25.

[Link to State Beach / Park Closures](#)

Public Outreach and Enforcement of New Closures

Given the determination made today, starting March 25, 2020, the gated entrances to the City's beach parking lots will be closed and access to the City's beach parking lots will be prohibited until further notice. Furthermore, the City continues to encourage all residents to practice safe social distancing when outside of your home by maintaining at least 6 feet of distance from other people when out in public.

Furthermore, the City's Police Department has instituted enhanced patrols of high-impact areas in the community, and police officers are increasing educational and enforcement efforts for those violating the State's Stay-At-Home Order. This includes enforcement action against businesses who operate in violation of the Governor's Order. Of note, violations of these new State regulations can result in enforcement action as permitted by Government Code 8665.

The City of Huntington Beach prides itself on providing residents and visitors with access to world-class amenities. However, our first priority is the health and safety of the community. The City believes that the closure of the Pier and our beach parking lots will help to limit the spread of COVID-19.

Updates regarding the City's response to the COVID-19 situation can be found online at www.HBready.com. In addition, if you have any questions or wish to speak to a City representative, please contact the City's Call Center at (714) 536-5511.

The City will continue to monitor all aspects of the evolving COVID-19 situation, and as the situation changes, we will be updating our response. In the meantime, we're encouraging everyone to stay calm, stay strong, and remember that we'll get through this together... as One HB.

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