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Central Coast Emergency Management Update Information on Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

This notice is to help provide up to date information about the coronavirus disease (also being called covid-19) and to let you know what kind of preparedness activities we are doing for the Valley. You may have already read that the risk for residents in British Columbia is low. We encourage you to keep up to date with the information provided by Vancouver Coastal Health ([click here for the most recent update from VCH](#)) ([click here for information from the BC Centre for Disease Control](#)) and we will share those updates on the www.ccrd.ca website, in print form at the post offices, through radio, and on social media. The frequently asked questions section is especially helpful.

What are we doing to prepare from an emergency management perspective?

Different organizations get involved with different types of emergencies. Health authorities are responsible for directing health-related emergencies and we are able to support if needed. At this time, we are participating in coordination calls with regional and provincial health authorities to receive updates. We are updating our emergency contacts lists, reviewing our local plans, sharing information from credible sources with the community, and encouraging prevention methods similar to preparing for flu season. We are ready to adapt our response if the need arises.

Our message to the community is: please stay home if you are sick, keep washing your hands, and listen to the health experts.

Sincerely Thank you / Stutwiniitscw

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