



UPDATE COVID-19 3/21/2020

COVID-19 UPDATE #2

GUIDELINES REGARDING THE CURFEW ENACTED FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2020

- Curfew extends from **10:00 PM – 6:00 AM** for all non- work related movement in Graham County.
- **WHAT?**
 - ALL MOVEMENT WITHIN THE COUNTY
- **WHY?**
 - Preserve public safety resources for true public safety emergencies.
 - Protection of health care resources, especially our front line medical workers.
 - Flatten the COVID19 curve so that hospitals are not stressed beyond their capacity.
 - Following the President' s COVID -19 Guidance https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/03.16.20_coronavirus-guidance_8.5x11_315PM.pdf.
 - Limiting face to face contact to encourage social distancing. The COVID 19 virus is highly contagious and limiting face to face contact within 6 feet could save your life or the life of someone you love.
 - You could have no symptoms of COVID -19 and still infect someone else!
 - Protect your friends and family members, especially the most vulnerable – persons above 65 years old, persons with diabetes, heart disease, chronic asthma, or under treatment for autoimmune diseases and cancer.
 - Possibly protect and preserve your life or someone's life whom you care about.
- **WHO MUST COMPLY?**
 - Anyone who is NOT an emergency first responder (Law Enforcement, EMS, 911 Call Center, Fire and Rescue).
 - Persons who must travel and move within the county due to work are exempt from the curfew to fulfill their work related responsibilities. Employers should be prepared to provide a letter to employees required out during the curfew or employer provided identification for employees in the event they are questioned by law enforcement.
 - Gas Stations and Convenience stores selling gas will be permitted to operate during curfew hours to enable workers requiring movement during curfew hours to re-fuel and get needed work provisions.
- **WHAT IF I DON'T COMPLY?**
 - You will be stopped by law enforcement.
 - You could be subject to civil penalties.