San Joaquin County Public Health Officer and Director of Emergency Services Issue Updated Stay-At-Home Order

(Stockton) – Today, Maggie Park, M.D., San Joaquin County Public Health Officer, and Marcia Cunningham, Director of Emergency Services issued an updated stay-at-home order for the citizens of San Joaquin County. This order is effective as of 5:00pm on 6/2/2020.

The updated order is due to recent guidance from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), which noted that a variance county can elect to open a given sector so long as (1) the State has issued guidance for how a given sector can reopen and (2) the local health officer has provided approval for that sector to open in that locality. If the state has not yet released guidance for a sector, then that sector cannot yet be opened.

The updated San Joaquin County stay-at-home order clarifies that the County Public Health Officer will issue local health orders authorizing businesses to implement the State Guidance only after (1) considering the availability of local health resources and the prevalence of COVID-19 within San Joaquin County, and (2) determining that the implementation of the Guidance does not create an unacceptable threat to public health. No business or activity may be operated or engaged in unless the County Public Health Officer has issued a Local Health Order authorizing the activity.

“While this updated stay-at-home order is good news and may help our community reopen more quickly, we must also remain vigilant about following strict social distancing guidelines,” Dr. Park stated. “Our local COVID-19 case counts have recently been increasing, which means we are at risk of having to close businesses and activities again. We ask that every resident do their part to keep our community healthy and remain open by taking our local health guidelines seriously.”

For more information on COVID-19 please see www.SJREADY.org

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