



Legislation Text

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Memorandum

Date: March 2, 2021

To: The Honorable Bruno Sabatier, Chair, Lake County Board of Supervisors

From: Jeff Rein, Risk Manager/Safety Officer

Subject: Consideration of COVID-19 Prevention Program

Executive Summary: (include fiscal and staffing impact narrative):

The attached COVID-19 Prevention Program is presented for your Board's consideration. This program document reflects the regulatory standards issued by CalOSHA on November 30, 2020. Since November 30th, CalOSHA has issued several rounds of FAQ's, including as recently as January 26, 2021, for the purpose of providing further clarification about these regulatory standards. The attached COVID-19 Prevention Program reflects the latest clarifying guidance.

The purpose of CalOSHA's regulations is to consolidate, clarify, and support previously established COVID-19 legislation, (AB 685 & SB 1159), relevant Executive Orders that had been issued by the Governor, as well as various COVID-19 "guidelines" that CalOSHA had disseminated. Collectively, these require employers to create procedures to identify and evaluate COVID-19 hazards; to control the hazard of exposure; to respond to employees who have been diagnosed with, have symptoms of, or have been exposed to COVID-19; to identify modes of transmission in the workplace and adopt and implement preventive measures to minimize risk; and to institute employee training; among other requirements.

While CalOSHA's regulatory framework may be relatively new, its requirements have been routinely implemented in Lake County concurrent with the underlying legislation, applicable Executive Orders, and CalOSHA guidelines. As an example, the heart of the COVID-19 Prevention Program is the Worksite Protection Protocol that your board initially adopted on May 19, 2020 and reapproved various times since and as recently as February 9th. Consequently, the ongoing fiscal impact of this Plan has likely been absorbed within the County budget.

Upon adoption, this COVID-19 Prevention Program will become a permanent component of the County Injury Illness and Protection Program.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only:

Estimated Cost: _____ Amount Budgeted: _____ Additional Requested: _____ Future Annual Cost: _____

Consistency with Vision 2028 and/or Fiscal Crisis Management Plan (check all that apply):

☐ Well-being of Residents

☐ Public Safety

☐ Infrastructure

☐ Not applicable

☐ Technology Upgrades

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Disaster Recovery | <input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Revenue Generation</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Collaboration | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Process Efficiency | <input type="checkbox"/> Clear Lake | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Cost Savings</i> |

If request for exemption from competitive bid in accordance with County Code Chapter 2 Sec. 2-38, fill in blanks below:

Which exemption is being requested?

How long has Agreement been in place?

When was purchase last rebid?

Reason for request to waive bid?

Recommended Action:

Adopt the COVID-19 Prevention Plan