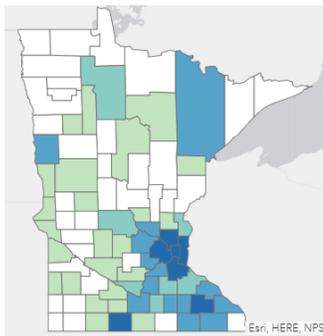


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COVID-19 COMMUNITY UPDATE: March 31, 2020

The Bois Forte Tribal Council have been participating in various conference calls today which included: Tribal Leaders; Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan, Senator Tina Smith, and Representative Betty McCollum; and the morning Tribal Emergency Response Committee.

The Tribal Council announced today that they have opened travel to the City of International Falls. They noted that Koochiching County does not have any confirmed cases of COVID-19 and they have adjusted the map to accommodate the change. The area marked in red is primarily for Tribal Government Employees but is “suggested” for community members to follow. The Tribal Council will evaluate these boundaries daily.



Minnesota COVID-19 cases according to the MDH website for March 31, 2020:

Total positive: 629

Total Deaths: 12

Cass County: 1

St. Louis County: 12

Itasca County: 1

At the Tribal Emergency Response Committee meeting held this morning, the Tribal Council shared the successful application of the one-million-dollar stimulus part of the CARES Act was submitted. The Tribal Government is actively applying and searching for grants that can assist the Tribe during this pandemic.

There is a Tribal Council meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 1, 2020, beginning at 9:00 a.m. via YouTube.

We would like to remind you that our Stay Safe, Stay Home Order took effect on Monday, March 25, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. this order includes all individuals within the territorial boundaries of the Bois Forte and are directed to stay home unless performing essential activities.

Essential Activities are:

- Go to the grocery store
- Pick up essentials for a neighbor or loved ones in need of assistance
- Go to medical appointments and the pharmacy
- Get take-out, delivery or drive thru from nearby restaurants
- Walk your dog, ride your bike, be in nature

Remember to maintain social distancing while out doing these essential activities.

The Tribal Government created a COVID-19 Email address to help address public and employee concerns regarding the COVID-19 virus. Please note that the email address is for general questions only, not for patient care. Please email and include the following in the subject line of the email that best addresses your concerns.

COVID-19@BOISFORTE-NSN.GOV

“Public Health” “Emergency Response” “HR” “Behavioral Health” “Medical” “Dental” “Pharmacy”

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