



# Yuma County HEOC/JIC COVID-19 DAILY UPDATE

3:00 PM, TUESDAY, March 31, 2020

\*\*\*\*\*CURRENT SITUATIONAL REPORT\*\*\*\*\*

## Yuma County Public Health District Update

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Yuma County Health Officials confirm no new cases of COVID-19, with the total remaining at 12 (twelve).

Patients remain in isolation and health officials are conducting contact investigations.

- Arizona currently has 1,289 confirmed cases of COVID-19
- Yuma County currently has 12 confirmed cases of COVID-19
- Currently 146 Yuma County residents have been tested
- Currently there are 3 hospitalizations due to COVID-19 in Yuma County

Cases	12		
Total Tests	146		
Gender	Female	3	25%
	Male	9	75%
Age Group	0-17	0	
	18-39	5	42%
	40-59	2	16%
	60+	5	42%
Hospitalized:	ICU	3	25%
Deaths		0	0%

The recent updates to the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) COVID-19 Reporting Dashboard are in response to Governor Ducey's executive order for all private labs to report all testing completed to AHDS. ADHS has added a "COVID-19 Testing Arizona" tab. This provides a more accurate count of testing being done in the state, and in counties. You can access the information here: <https://azdhs.gov>.

**Question of the Day: Do I need to call ahead if I am taking a suspected COVID-19 patient to the hospital emergency room?**

Mark Hutsell, Director of System Safety & Emergency Preparedness, responds:

- Patients who are seeking treatment for any reason at the Emergency Department (ED) do not need to call ahead.
- YRMC has asked physicians to contact the hospital if they are sending a patient directly from their office to the ED.
- A triage tent has been set up outside the ED in order to triage all incoming patients. Hours of operation are 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily.
- If a patient needs to seek care after-hours, they should proceed directly into the front doors of the Emergency Room. Patients will be masked and triaged as they enter the ED.

The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) community transmission level of COVID-19 in Arizona remains at “widespread”. This means that the virus is present and circulating in communities across the state including Yuma County. We encourage all residents to take the necessary precautions including social distancing and staying home if you are sick. Remember to:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Avoid people who are sick, and avoid groups of 10 people or more.
- Clean and disinfect frequently-touched surfaces like light switches, door knobs, electronic devices, etc.
- Stay home if you are sick so you do not expose others
- Practice social distancing, staying 6 feet away from others

## **JOINT INFORMATION CENTER (JIC) UPDATE**

Questions from the public can be emailed to: [COVID@yumacountyaz.gov](mailto:COVID@yumacountyaz.gov)

These questions will be collected, categorized and answered through the DAILY UPDATE and a future DAILY LIVE program on YUMA 77 & Yuma County Government FACEBOOK LIVE

## **YUMA PROVING GROUND**

Although certain access restrictions directed by the Department of the Army are in place, Yuma Proving Ground's essential test mission in support of Army modernization priorities continues. Access to Yuma Proving Ground is currently restricted to the following:

- \*YPG residents, including Travel Camp residents
- \* YPG employees
- \* Civilian contractors who work at YPG

\* Other personnel who come to YPG for an authorized purpose (including personnel on official orders to YPG, DoD retirees/ID card holders, and delivery drivers)

## **YUMA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

AIRPORT UPDATE AT 6:00 PM, Monday, March 30: The inbound flights from Dallas at 7:34 pm and Phoenix at 10:56 pm are still scheduled to arrive. The schedule for the remainder of the week is tentative at this time as the airlines work with the major hub airports. PLEASE NOTE THAT if you are a ticket holder the airlines will contact you with any changes.

Currently, there are no travel restrictions to or from any nonstop destination served by American Airlines at Yuma International Airport but travelers should know there are more flight cancellations. Additionally, in response to reservations demand, airlines are adjusting their schedules for the future. Effective April 7 frequencies to/from Phoenix are reduced from 5 to 3 flights most days through at least May 31. Airlines are relaxing rules regarding change fees and cancellations. Many changes can be done online by passengers who purchased their tickets directly from their airline. Passengers who booked their flights elsewhere should seek to make changes where they purchased their tickets. Airlines report their phone reservations systems are being overwhelmed resulting in extraordinarily long wait times. They ask that only passengers traveling within the next 72 hours call. To make changes, please visit their website:

<https://www.aa.com/i18n/travel-info/coronavirus-updates.jsp>

The following flight schedule is tentative and subject to change:

April 8-May 1:

3 Daily flights  
0500 DFW  
1147 PHX  
2007 PHX

Saturday, May 2:

0500 DFW

Sunday-Monday May 3-4

0500 DFW  
1147 PHX  
2007 PHX

Wednesday, May 6:

0500 DFW

Thursday, May 7:

0640 DFW

Friday, May 8:

0800 PHX  
1336 PHX

Saturday, May 9:

0640 DFW

May 10- May 31:

Sunday, Monday, Thursday, Friday

0640 DFW

0800 PHX

1336 PHX

Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday

0640 DFW

**ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE** - Completed a transition week and remote working is now a priority for all employees except essential staff. All classes are entirely online through the end of the Spring semester.

PUBLIC is urged to follow on FACEBOOK & TWITTER as well as sign up for Yuma County eNOTIFICATIONS

DON'T FORGET!!!! THE JOINT INFORMATION CENTER REMINDS EVERYONE THAT APRIL 1<sup>st</sup> is [Census Day](#)!!!! While you're at home REMEMBER it is easy to respond to the [CENSUS ONLINE](#)!!!!