DATE: January 7, 2021

TO: CBJ Assembly

FROM: Mila Cosgrove, Incident Commander

RE: Situational Update – Level 3 High- Operational Period 28 (12/31/2020 – 1/28/2021)

**Situation Assessment:** Our 14 day and 7 day case rate indicators have moved to the Moderate alert level. The disease is moving across all disease acquisition types: secondary infection, travel and community spread. Positive cases related to travel are leveling off, but we caution the public to strictly adhere to all health orders related to travel.

**Issues of Note:**

Overall our positive test numbers are lowering, public health capacity is increasing, and the reduction in overall statewide numbers has taken pressure off the statewide health system. Bartlett continues to do well. These are all positive signs and indicate that we should be moving toward decreasing the Community Risk Level. That said, if we are going to experience a spike in numbers that is related to holiday gatherings and travel, we should begin to see positive cases climb this week and through the weekend.

We are getting good participation through the testing center but there was a delay in delivery of the test samples to the processing lab and we have received no results from the tests taken at the FTC since January 4th, and there was a delay in the delivery of the Airport tests for January 5th as well. Those are all at the lab now and we are waiting on those to process – in all that represents 450 tests (symptomatic and asymptomatic combined).

Community members are watching the numbers and some are expressing frustration that we haven’t dropped down to the Moderate Level yet. The EOC will continue to watch the numbers through the weekend and, if we don’t see a case jump, we should move to the Moderate level on Monday.

**Testing:**
Asymptomatic testing is under way at the Fire Training Center. Total tested so far is 942. 570 tests have been processed, with 4 tests returning positive. The asymptomatic testing event will run through Jan. 10th. Please see the note above about the delay in tests arriving at the lab for processing.
Vaccines:
The EOC is planning for mass Point of Dispensing event for COVID vaccine scheduled for January 15 – 17 at Centennial Hall. We received final confirmation of the vaccine availability today. The POD will be available to anyone in Phase 1a, Tiers 1-3 (Healthcare workers) as well as Phase 1b, Tier 1 (those who are 65+ years of age). The team is working on finalizing the registration system with the intent to have it go live on Monday, January 11th. We are strongly encouraging people to register on line but we will have backup registration available through the COVID hotline.

Daily Numbers Report:
We are reporting 6 new cases today.

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Note: CBJ EOC data may differ from the data reported on the State of Alaska dashboard due to lags in data entry on the state level.

Disease Transmission/Contact Tracing:
We are reporting 1 new resident and 5 new nonresident cases today. The 1 resident case is travel related and the 5 nonresident cases are associated with the mining industry. There was a delay in reporting the nonresident cases so they are being reported as new and recovered at the same time.

The State is reporting 338 new cases today for a cumulative total of 49,228 cases.

Testing: 01/06/2021: 183 test results were received from the Fulgent Lab with collection dates between 01/02/2021 – 01/04/2021 – 53 tests returned in 2 days, 129 tests returned in 3 days, and 1 test returned at 4 days.
This chart tracks the number of new cases in the past 7 days, controlled for population. King County (Seattle) and Multnomah County (Portland) are included for context and due to travel frequency. The source data for Alaska is from the SOA dashboard. Out of state data is from the Harvard Global Health Institute (https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/) and generally lags a day behind most of our other reporting. Policy recommendations at varying levels (<1, <10, <25, 25+) can be found on their website.