

DATE:	January 8,	2021

TO: CBJ Assembly

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

Overall Community Risk	Disease Situation	Hospital Capacity	Public Health Capacity	The Complete CBJ COVID-19
Level 3 - High	Community spread based cases continue to occur. The containment situation remains uncertain.	The hospital case load is stable.	Contact tracing efforts are constrained due to the nature and volume of cases.	Dashboard can be found <u>here</u> or by going to Juneau.org/ COVID-19

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. The EOC will continue to monitor the situation. If case counts stay low we will reconsider the community risk level on Monday, January 11th.

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 see positive cases climb this week and through the weekend. Today we had an increase of 7 cases.

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 just beginning to get results from the testing at the FTC on January 4th and 5th, as well as the test results from the Airport for January 5th.

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 1033. 827 tests have been processed, with 5 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 (POD) event for COVID vaccine scheduled for January 15 – 17 at Centennial Hall. 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 at noon. Registration links will be directly off the CBJ website though if someone went to the state website they could also find the event. We are stepping up communication through all channels – social media, radio spots, and newspaper ads. 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 7 new cases today.

COVID-19 In Juneau					
	Active	Recovered	Deceased	Cumulative	
Resident	17	952	5	974	
Non Resident	0	125	0	125	
Total	17	1077	5	1099	

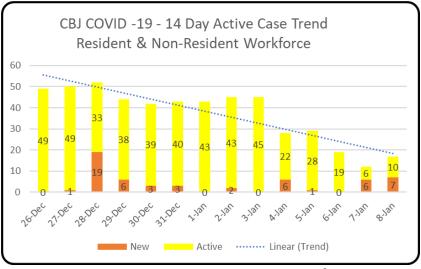
Note: CBJ EOC data may differ from the data reported on the State of Alaska dashboard due to lags in data entry on the state level.

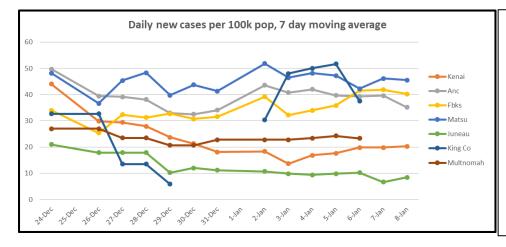
Disease Transmission/Contact Tracing:

We are reporting 7 new resident and no new nonresident cases today. 1 case is community spread, 1 case is secondary transmission, and the remaining cases are under investigation. 2 of the positive cases were reported through Fulgent, the remainder of the cases came from private providers. There is still a backlog at Fulgent.

The State is reporting 411 new cases today for a cumulative total of 49,639 cases.

<u>Testing</u>: 01/07/2021: 5 test results were received from the Fulgent Lab with collection dates between 01/04/2021 - 01/05/2021 - 3 tests returned in 2 days and 2 tests returned in 3 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

(<u>https://globalepidemics.org/key-</u> 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