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TO: CBJ Assembly

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RE: **Situational Update –Level 2 Moderate -** Operational Period 24 (10/15/2020 – 10/29/2020)

Overall Community Risk	Disease Situation	Hospital Capacity	Public Health Capacity
Level 3 - High	Community spread based cases are occurring at an increasing rate and the unsheltered/vulnerable population cluster is growing.	The hospital case load is stable.	The testing environment is stable. Local investigations are being conducted are beginning to be constrained due to the nature of local contact investigations.

The Complete CBJ COVID-19 Dashboard can be found here or by going to Juneau.org/COVID-19

Situation Assessment: Our overall number of positive cases are climbing compared to previous weeks. Our 7 and 14 day case rate indicators are rising within the high alert level range. The disease is transferring within the unsheltered cluster and by community spread - residents are urged to take appropriate cautions and in particular to refrain from indoor, unmasked activities with individuals outside of family bubbles.

Issues of Note:
The EOC continues to manage Centennial Hall as an isolation support center. We performed another round of testing for the unsheltered/vulnerable population cluster and those who support them on Friday; results are expected mid-week. This video gives a good feel for what operations at Centennial Hall are like.

We continue to engage with businesses impacted by the mitigation strategies who have exemption requests, both for gatherings and fitness classes. Those with mitigation plans in place can submit an exemption request to the EOC for consideration. To date, all requests submitted have been approved, some after modifications.

Daily Numbers Report:

COVID-19 In Juneau				
	Active	**Recovered**	**Deceased**	**Cumulative**
Resident	73	350	3	426
Non Resident	2	102	0	104
Total	**75**	**452**	**3**	**530**

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 no new cases today. As a reminder, we generally don't report new cases over the weekend. New cases from yesterday and today will be reported on Monday.
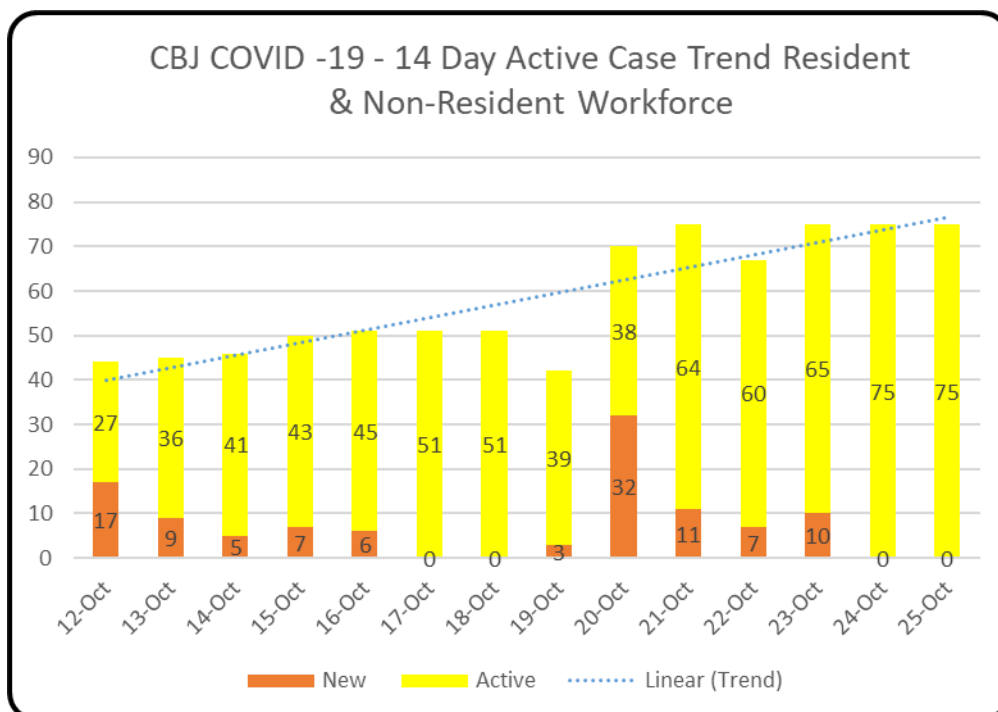
The effectiveness of contact tracing is somewhat limited with many of our current cases related to the unsheltered/vulnerable population cluster due to many individuals lack of clear contact information and occasional mental/behavioral health challenges.

The state dashboard is showing a lower number of nonresident cases than what is reported on the CBJ dashboard. In addition, our recovered numbers continue to be higher than what is being reported by the state. This is due to the timing of reporting. CBJ numbers are more up to date. ==**Please note**==: the state is reporting 35 resident cases for Juneau today, which catches them up to our reporting on resident case activity. We reported these same cases earlier in the week, mostly on Tuesday.
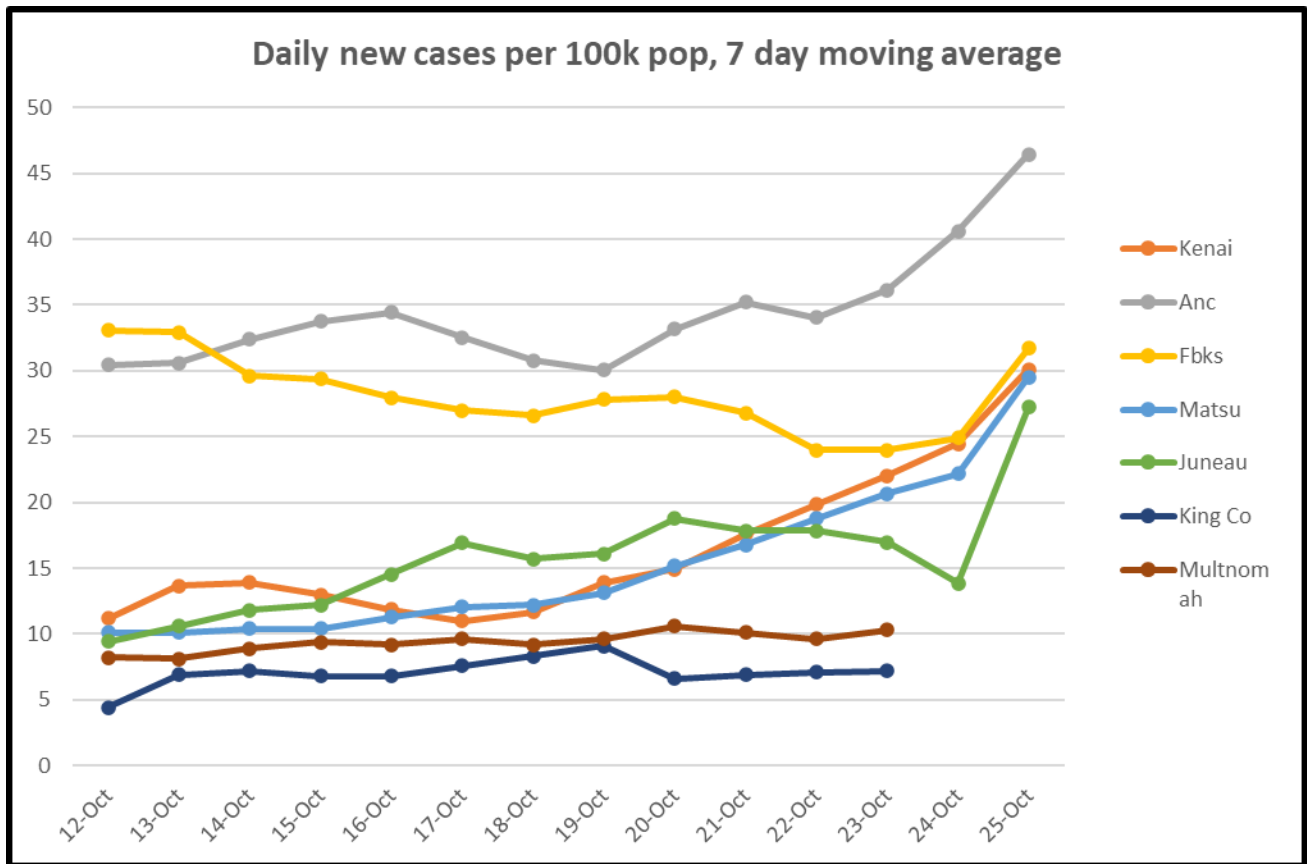
The State of Alaska is reporting 526[1] new cases today bringing the statewide cumulative case count to 13,968.

Testing:

Test turnaround times for 10/23 and 10/24 will be reported on Monday.

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[1] In-state residents and non-residents

Daily new cases per 100k pop, 7 day moving average

Legend: Kenai, Anc, Fbks, Matsu, Juneau, King Co, Multnomah

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