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TO: CBJ Assembly

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RE: Situational Update –Level 3 High- Operational Period 26 (11/12/2020 – 12/3/2020)

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

**Situation Assessment:** Our 14 day case rate indicator is at the Very High alert level and our 7 day case rate moved down to the High alert level. The disease is moving across all disease acquisition types: secondary infection, travel and community. Contact tracing is improving slightly, but remains constrained due to caseloads statewide and the nature of contacts required. Residents must take appropriate cautions, including limiting social bubbles to immediate family members.

## **Issues of Note:**

The rolling 7 day average for cases in Anchorage continues to drop. Cases in the Kenai Peninsula Borough and Mat-Su Borough remain quite high. Mat Su's case positivity is still being influenced by the lag in reporting from the private lab that was reported on late last week. Overall positivity remains high statewide with 760 new cases and 8 deaths reported today.

The hospital system in Alaska continues to be overburdened. Seattle hospitals are tight for space as well. BRH reported difficulty transporting patients for the first time this week because of hospital capacity both north and south. Additionally, recent weather has complicated plane travel significantly. BRH monitors this status on a daily basis.

Asymptomatic testing began today and will run through Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> (the event may end earlier if demand diminishes). The event is designed for individuals who may be at risk for COVID exposure due to unmasked, indoor activity greater than 10 minutes with individuals outside of their immediate households and/or individuals who are work in settings where they experience regular contact with the general public. The event will be held at the Hagevig Fire Training center and requires pre-registration. Information can be found at Juneau.org/COVID-19

We are still on track to take receipt of the ROCHE testing machine the week of December 14<sup>th</sup>. We expect it to be operational mid to late January.

## **Daily Numbers Report:**

We are reporting 17 new resident cases today.

| COVID-19 In Juneau |        |           |          |            |  |  |
|--------------------|--------|-----------|----------|------------|--|--|
|                    | Active | Recovered | Deceased | Cumulative |  |  |
| Resident           | 78     | 749       | 5        | 832        |  |  |
| Non Resident       | 0      | 112       | 0        | 112        |  |  |
| Total              | 78     | 861       | 5        | 944        |  |  |

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.

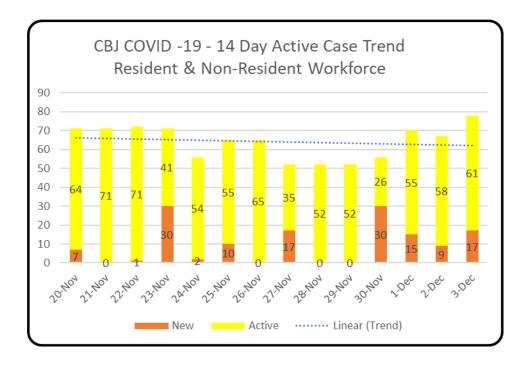
## Disease Transmission/Contact Tracing:

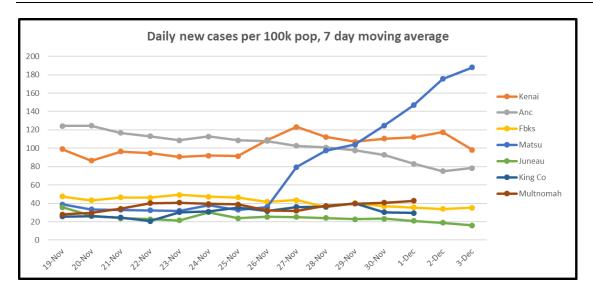
We are reporting 17 new resident cases today and no new nonresident cases. How the individuals acquired the virus is under investigation. Two are older cases from November that never got reported and are no longer active.

The State of Alaska is reporting 760 new cases today bringing the statewide cumulative case count to 34,563.

## Testing:

12/02: 270 test results were received from the Fulgent Lab with collection dates between 11/29/2020 - 11/30/2020, returning results to individuals 2-3 days after collection. No test results were received from the Alaska State Lab.





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 (<a href="https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/">https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/</a>) 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