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Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 3:39 PM
To: Elizabeth Merson; Sharon Lovelady; Christine Gaiger; Marc Lea; Laurel Weir; Ann McDowell; Frederick S Rosen; John Diodati; EOC-Care-Shelter; EOC-Lodging
Cc: Andrea Montes
Subject: Brochure (For Review)
Attachments: AG Brochure (Spanish).pdf; AG Brochure (English).pdf

Here is the designed brochure - one in English and one in Spanish - for your review.

Any changes?

Thanks,
Whitney

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Las pruebas son fáciles, rápidas y gratuitas

Todos sabemos que COVID-19 puede causar graves problemas de salud incluso en las personas más saludables.

No arriesgue a enfermar a su familia, compañeros de trabajo incluso miembros de la comunidad.

Hazte la prueba rápidamente de forma gratuita y ayuda a proteger a tu comunidad ralentizando la propagación de la Enfermedad de Coronavirus 2019.

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Pruebas Cerca De Usted

Encuentre sitios de pruebas cerca de usted visitando www.emergencyslo.org/testing o llamando al (805) 543-2444.

Haste un examen en una clínica de los Centros de Salud Comunitarios (CHC)

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Haga una cita hoy
www.communityhealthcenters.org
llama al (866) 614-4636.

Su empleador puede solicitar pruebas de salud pública en su lugar de trabajo, por solamente llamando al (805) 781-5500.

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Proteja a su familia, a sus amigos, y sus compañeros de trabajo y a sus compañeros de casa.

Gratis, Confidencial La Guía Aserte La Prueba Covid-19

para los trabajadores agrícolas

Ahora es Tu Oportunidad

Cree que puede haber estado expuesto a la enfermedad por coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19)? Usted puede hacerse la prueba de forma gratuita, ya sea que tenga síntomas o no.

Cómo hacerse la prueba

Pruebas de salud pública en el trabajo

El Departamento de Salud Pública del Condado puede venir a usted! Hable con su empleador acerca de llevar las pruebas a su lugar de trabajo. La salud pública solo recopilará su nombre, fecha de nacimiento e información de contacto para que puedan informarle los resultados de su examen. Los empleadores pueden solicitar pruebas en su lugar de trabajo llamando al (805) 781-5500.

Pruebas de los Centros de Salud Comunitarios (CHC)

CHC está renunciando a todos los costos de detección y pruebas médicamente necesarias para COVID-19 (coronavirus). Para mas informacion visite www.communityhealthcenters.org o llame (866) 614-4636.

Cómo funcionan las pruebas?

- ✓ **Elija una ubicación.** Dependiendo de la ubicación de la prueba, puede para hacerse la prueba de inmediato o puede que tenga que hacer una cita.
- ✓ **El examen.** Un trabajador de la salud publica frotará el interior de la nariz. La prueba debe tardar unos minutos de principio a fin.
- ✓ **Obtenga su resultado.** Puede tomar en cualquier lugar de 1 a 6 días para obtener los resultados de su prueba, dependiendo de dónde se haga la prueba.

Qué sucede si la prueba resulta positiva?

Si prueba resulta positiva, es posible que no pueda trabajar hasta que esté bien. Pero hay ayuda disponible durante ese tiempo.

Pueden Recibir pago cuando se enferman

Incluso si usted prueba resulta positivo del coronavirus y no puede trabajar, todavía puede recibir un paga. Los trabajadores del sector alimentario y los trabajadores agrícolas -incluidos los productores- pueden calificar para un máximo de dos semanas de enfermedad pagada por razones relacionadas con COVID-19 (es posible que los trabajadores de tiempo parcial no obtengan las 80 horas completas).

Puede Obtener alojamiento y comida cuando está enfermo

El Condado de San Luis Obispo puede ayudar a coordinar el alojamiento y la alimentación para apoyar a cualquier trabajador agrícola diagnosticado con COVID-19. El personal del condado trabajará con los trabajadores agrícolas o sus empleadores para obtener alojamiento temporal para garantizar la seguridad y el bienestar del trabajador agrícola y sus compañeros de casa. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con el Coordinador de Alojamiento del Condado al 805-781-1061.

Hazte a prueba hoy

Protege a tus amigos, compañeros de trabajo y seres queridos.

Las pruebas COVID-19 son:

- ✓ Gratis (sin costo)
- ✓ Confidencial
- ✓ Fácil y conveniente
- ✓ En un lugar cerca de usted

Si prueba resulta positiva, puede calificar para:

- ✓ Pago de enfermedad
- ✓ Alojamiento gratuito

La salud pública se pondrá en contacto con usted diariamente para supervisar su salud, si resulta positivo para COVID-19.

NOTA: Estas pruebas solo pueden detectar si alguien tiene COVID-19 en el momento de la prueba. La prueba no puede detectar una infección pasada de COVID-19. Tampoco detecta si una persona es inmunes contra COVID-19.

Testing is Easy, Quick & Free

We all know COVID-19 can cause serious health problems in even the healthiest individuals.

Don't risk getting your family, coworkers, and community members sick.

Get tested quickly for free and help protect your community by slowing the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019.

Find out more inside this brochure.

- ✓ No cost
- ✓ Fast
- ✓ Confidential
- ✓ Easy & convenient
- ✓ Nearby

Testing Near You

Find testing sites near you by visiting www.emergencyslo.org/testing or calling (805) 543-2444.

Get Screened at a Community Health Centers (CHC) Clinic

Arroyo Grande

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Employers can request Public Health testing at your workplace by calling (805) 781-5500.

Get more information at www.ReadySLO.org



Protect your family, your friends,
your coworkers, your housemates

Guide to Free, Confidential COVID-19 Testing

for farm workers

Now is Your Opportunity

Do you think you may have been exposed to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)? You can get tested for free, even if you don't have symptoms.



How to Get Tested

Public Health Testing at Work

The County Public Health Department can come to you! Talk to your employer about bringing testing to your workplace. Public Health will only collect your name, date of birth and contact information so they can let you know your test results. Employers can request testing at their workplace by calling (805) 781-5500.

CHC Testing

Community Health Centers (CHC) is waiving all costs for medically necessary screening and testing for COVID-19 (coronavirus). Visit www.communityhealthcenters.org or call (866) 614-4636.

How does testing work?

- ✓ **Pick a location.** Depending on the testing location, you can either walk in or you may have to make an appointment.
- ✓ **Show up.** A health care worker will greet you and swab the inside of your nose. The test should take a few minutes from start to finish.
- ✓ **Get your results.** It can take anywhere from 1 to 6 days to get your test results, depending on where you get tested.



What happens if your test comes back positive?

If you test positive, you may not be able to work until you're well. But there is help available during that time.

Get Paid When Sick

Even if you test positive for coronavirus and cannot work, you can still get paid. Food sector workers and agriculture workers - including farm workers and growers - may qualify for up to two weeks of paid sick leave for COVID-19 related reasons (part-time workers may not get the full 80 hours).

Get Lodging and Food When Sick

The County of San Luis Obispo can help coordinate lodging and food to support any farm workers diagnosed with COVID-19. County staff will work with farm workers or their employers to get temporary housing to ensure the safety and well-being of the farm worker and their housemates. For more information, please contact County Lodging Coordinator at 805-781-1061.

Get Tested Today

Protect your friends, coworkers and loved ones.

COVID-19 testing is:

- ✓ Free (no cost)
- ✓ Confidential
- ✓ Easy & convenient
- ✓ At a location near you

If you test positive, you may qualify for:

- ✓ Paid sick leave
- ✓ Free lodging

Public Health will be in touch with you daily to monitor your health if you test positive for COVID-19.

NOTE: These tests can only detect if someone has COVID-19 at the time of testing. The test cannot detect past infection of COVID-19. It also does not detect whether a person is immune or has antibodies to COVID-19.

From: Whitney Szentesi
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Attachments: Migrant-worker-testing_Brochure_Draft.docx

Hi Liz,

Here's the draft text for the migrant/farm workers testing brochure. Please send to whomever needs to review it and provide feedback.

Also, I don't know enough about the lodging program, so if you can add a sentence or two for that program, that would be great.

Once approved, we can get this translated to Spanish.

Thanks,
Whit

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Outside Cover

Protect your family, your friends, your colleagues and your housemates.

FREE COVID-19 TESTING GUIDE

for farmworkers

- ✓ No cost
- ✓ Fast
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- ✓ Nearby

Back cover

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Inside cover

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Now is Your Opportunity

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What happens if your test comes back positive?

You Will Still Get Paid

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Lodging

[Include info about lodging program]

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From: Francine Levin
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 9:57 AM
To: Elizabeth Merson
Subject: FW: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Good morning,

Wow, Paulina had a lot of great ideas and insights (see below). The point she makes about the growers being more trusted than an unknown third party makes a lot sense too. If any are willing to host testing or have the facility for it. Thinking through the logistics might be worthwhile should one of their staff become infected and it be necessary to test everyone as part of a containment plan.

Leo added this regarding a testing location: Georgia Brown Elem is also a “trusted institution” as it is where most families send their little ones to school so they might be a good alternative site if others don’t work out.

From Leo on marketing and promotion: But wherever the site ends up being (great recommendations from Paulina), it would be wise to reach out to the schools in the area (Flamson, Georgia Brown, High School) and connect with the housing complexes (Oak Park [PR Housing Authority], Presidio Gardens, Laguna Terrace, etc) and ask them to help promote the testing site. And if possible, blast it on the radio and local Spanish news channels (if not being done already).

Let me know if I should follow up with any potential sites. Paulina offers to connect us with a person in charge of a community room through housing authority.

Best,

Francine Levin

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Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Good morning Francine and Leo,

Sorry to come in so late into the conversation. But, yes I agree with Leo about testing in north Paso Robles.

That being said, I right away I thought about a Mexican meat market (Carniceria La Barata) on Spring and 34th street. That market is very popular in the Latino community and frequently used by the large farm working community that lives around there. The different apartment complexes and housing units in the vicinity (especially the Paso Robles Housing Authority- locally known as Oak Park), house farmworkers. There are other businesses in the little strip where the meat market is location. There might even be some free space, but I am not sure who to contact.

Another option is to talk with the Paso Robles Housing Authority (901 30th Street) and see if they would be open to hosting the testing site. They have a community room that is pretty spacious. They hold a lot of events there including their food distributions. The oral health program has a contact- her name is Betian Webb (bwebb@pasoroblesha.org; 805-674-4413 cell).

One last comment- I did not get to read the document and I completely understand the growers' concerns, but if anything they are best avenue for hosting pop-up testing sites. The workers trust them, their employers more than they trust us or a third party. Maybe the growers are mostly concerned of what can happen if a good number of their employees test positive.

I hope this helps and if you would like me to connect you to Betian let me know.

Best,

-Paulina

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Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Thank you Leo! I appreciate your insights on this.

Have a good evening,

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Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

In my opinion something on the northern side of Paso would be wise since the Veteran's center already addressed the other side. This would include the area and communities around Rite-Aid on 24th Street, Flamson Middle School, Oak Park Housing, and Georgia Brown Elementary. I believe the old bowling alley is currently vacant, not sure what the policy around doing it on a school campus is like but Flamson might be another option. Basically anything above or around 24th and Spring St.

Hopefully that helps

Leo Ontiveros

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Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Inside is preferred because of the heat! If necessary, a pop-up tent could be used.

Thank you for your insights.

Be well!

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Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Hey Francine,

What's required spacing wise? Can it be done in a parking lot? They need an indoor facility?

Leo Ontiveros

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Subject: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Hello Paulina and Leo,

Liz suggested I reach out to you tow regarding the testing outreach effort in North County. They are looking at locations for a pop-up clinic in Paso to provide additional testing to farmworkers. Our last State-sponsored testing site was at the Paso Robles Veteran's Center located at 240 Scott Street and it eventually closed due to a lack of appts. We are looking for a location that is convenient. Perhaps a location near a market or other local business that is used frequently by farm workers. The growers are apprehensive about hosting sites because of perception issues and/or concerns about gov agencies among growers.

If you have any ideas let me know, or if you know a contact I can follow up with, that would be great too.

I appreciate your help.

Very best,

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Subject: FW: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses

Here was the attachment. Not much for us to do at this point, except look at North County locations.

Paulina and Leo may have ideas for north county pop up testing sites. Would you mind asking them for recommendations?

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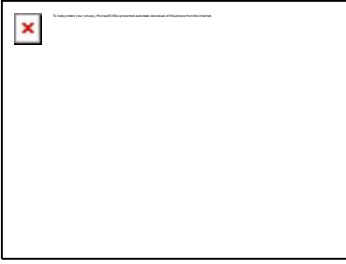
Hello All,

I've attached a summary of the results from our outreach efforts conducted these past few days with local growers and ag businesses. I've identified a few items that our Department will work on directly in the coming days and weeks, and then I've included a few things that could be done that would be beneficial but aren't things that are Department can handle.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

thanks,

Marc



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Subject: RE: Brochure (For Review)

Marc,

To summarize, testing will be provided regardless of county of residence, however housing will only be provided to SLO County residents.

Thanks,
Liz

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Great. That's how I understood it but wanted to confirm. Working on a full update and will send that out soon.



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I would think for sheltering / services they must be a resident of SLO. Each county has similar programs. I will cc Chris and Natalie.

Sharon Lovelady, MSCJ

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One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say!

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For pop-up testing, there is no residency requirement.

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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Good Morning,

We have talked to a lot of ag businesses and Farm Labor Contractors over the past few days. I've got a detailed update for you that I will send before the end of today.

One quick question first. In our first conference call, it was mentioned that any people receiving services would need to be residents of San Luis Obispo County. I can't remember if that was a requirement for the hotel housing option, the "pop-up" testing sites, or both of those. Can someone please confirm what the rules would be regarding both the housing availability and the pop-up testing sites with regard to residency? That will have a significant impact on any of our efforts moving forward since many of our south county workers reside in SB County and a surprising number of our north county vineyard workers reside in Monterey County.

thanks

Marc



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Sure thing. Go right ahead.

Thanks,
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From: Elizabeth Merson
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:54 PM
To: Francine Levin
Subject: FW: Brochure (For Review)

Hi Francine,

Update from ag dept below. Sounds like we won't hear more on our outreach efforts until mid next week.

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Perfect. Thanks Whitney.

Just a bit of additional followup from my email earlier today. Like I mentioned, I haven't had much success on assessing the need for the pop-up testing sites just by calling a few key groups. So I've got our staff reaching out to all of our licensed Farm Labor Contractors to try and assess the needs that way. We may not get a hold of all of them all, but we will reach out to everyone possible in the next few days. We will be working on that today, Monday, and Tuesday. I'll have an update for you late Tuesday or early Wednesday on what feedback we've received.

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Thanks,
Whit

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Subject: FW: Brochure (For Review)
Attachments: AG Brochure (Spanish).pdf; AG Brochure (English).pdf

Sorry, I sent the wrong attachment before. Here's the ag brochures.

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Las pruebas son fáciles, rápidas y gratuitas

Todos sabemos que COVID-19 puede causar graves problemas de salud incluso en las personas más saludables.

No arriesgue a enfermar a su familia, compañeros de trabajo incluso miembros de la comunidad.

Hazte la prueba rápidamente de forma gratuita y ayuda a proteger a tu comunidad ralentizando la propagación de la Enfermedad de Coronavirus 2019.

Obtenga más información en este folleto.

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- ✓ Mas cercano a usted

Pruebas Cerca De Usted

Encuentre sitios de pruebas cerca de usted visitando www.emergencyslo.org/testing o llamando al (805) 543-2444.

Haste un examen en una clínica de los Centros de Salud Comunitarios (CHC)

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Haga una cita hoy
www.communityhealthcenters.org
llama al (866) 614-4636.

Su empleador puede solicitar pruebas de salud pública en su lugar de trabajo, por solamente llamando al (805) 781-5500.

Obtenga más información en la pagina
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Proteja a su familia, a sus amigos, y sus compañeros de trabajo y a sus compañeros de casa.

Gratis, Confidencial La Guía Aserte La Prueba Covid-19

para los trabajadores agrícolas

Ahora es Tu Oportunidad

Cree que puede haber estado expuesto a la enfermedad por coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19)? Usted puede hacerse la prueba de forma gratuita, ya sea que tenga síntomas o no.

Cómo hacerse la prueba

Pruebas de salud pública en el trabajo

El Departamento de Salud Pública del Condado puede venir a usted! Hable con su empleador acerca de llevar las pruebas a su lugar de trabajo. La salud pública solo recopilará su nombre, fecha de nacimiento e información de contacto para que puedan informarle los resultados de su examen. Los empleadores pueden solicitar pruebas en su lugar de trabajo llamando al (805) 781-5500.

Pruebas de los Centros de Salud Comunitarios (CHC)

CHC está renunciando a todos los costos de detección y pruebas médicamente necesarias para COVID-19 (coronavirus). Para mas informacion visite www.communityhealthcenters.org o llame (866) 614-4636.

Cómo funcionan las pruebas?

- ✓ **Elija una ubicación.** Dependiendo de la ubicación de la prueba, puede para hacerse la prueba de inmediato o puede que tenga que hacer una cita.
- ✓ **El examen.** Un trabajador de la salud publica frotará el interior de la nariz. La prueba debe tardar unos minutos de principio a fin.
- ✓ **Obtenga su resultado.** Puede tomar en cualquier lugar de 1 a 6 días para obtener los resultados de su prueba, dependiendo de dónde se haga la prueba.

Qué sucede si la prueba resulta positiva?

Si prueba resulta positiva, es posible que no pueda trabajar hasta que esté bien. Pero hay ayuda disponible durante ese tiempo.

Pueden Recibir pago cuando se enferman

Incluso si usted prueba resulta positivo del coronavirus y no puede trabajar, todavía puede recibir un paga. Los trabajadores del sector alimentario y los trabajadores agrícolas -incluidos los productores- pueden calificar para un máximo de dos semanas de enfermedad pagada por razones relacionadas con COVID-19 (es posible que los trabajadores de tiempo parcial no obtengan las 80 horas completas).

Puede Obtener alojamiento y comida cuando está enfermo

El Condado de San Luis Obispo puede ayudar a coordinar el alojamiento y la alimentación para apoyar a cualquier trabajador agrícola diagnosticado con COVID-19. El personal del condado trabajará con los trabajadores agrícolas o sus empleadores para obtener alojamiento temporal para garantizar la seguridad y el bienestar del trabajador agrícola y sus compañeros de casa. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con el Coordinador de Alojamiento del Condado al 805-781-1061.

Hazte a prueba hoy

Protege a tus amigos, compañeros de trabajo y seres queridos.

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Si prueba resulta positiva, puede calificar para:

- ✓ Pago de enfermedad
- ✓ Alojamiento gratuito

La salud pública se pondrá en contacto con usted diariamente para supervisar su salud, si resulta positivo para COVID-19.

NOTA: Estas pruebas solo pueden detectar si alguien tiene COVID-19 en el momento de la prueba. La prueba no puede detectar una infección pasada de COVID-19. Tampoco detecta si una persona es inmunes contra COVID-19.

Testing is Easy, Quick & Free

We all know COVID-19 can cause serious health problems in even the healthiest individuals.

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Get tested quickly for free and help protect your community by slowing the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019.

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Guide to Free, Confidential COVID-19 Testing

for farm workers

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What happens if your test comes back positive?

If you test positive, you may not be able to work until you're well. But there is help available during that time.

Get Paid When Sick

Even if you test positive for coronavirus and cannot work, you can still get paid. Food sector workers and agriculture workers - including farm workers and growers - may qualify for up to two weeks of paid sick leave for COVID-19 related reasons (part-time workers may not get the full 80 hours).

Get Lodging and Food When Sick

The County of San Luis Obispo can help coordinate lodging and food to support any farm workers diagnosed with COVID-19. County staff will work with farm workers or their employers to get temporary housing to ensure the safety and well-being of the farm worker and their housemates. For more information, please contact County Lodging Coordinator at 805-781-1061.

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Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 10:29 AM
To: 'Marc Lea - SLO County Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures'
Cc: Whitney Szentesi
Subject: FW: Brochure Text Draft
Attachments: Migrant-worker-testing_Brochure_Draft V2.docx

Marc,
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Does anyone have any other changes?

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A few suggestions. Also this needs to be in Spanish.

Sharon

Sharon Lovelady, MSCJ

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One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say!

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Hi Liz,

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Also, I don't know enough about the lodging program, so if you can add a sentence or two for that program, that would be great.

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Subject: FW: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Lodging Team,

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Penny

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 - a. PIO developing today and will send to Marty for input.
 - b. Marty will distribute to grower associate email list, post on website and PIOs will post on ReadySLO
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At this point, most of the ag workers are working in South County. Come fall, the work will shift to SLO and North County for grape harvest.

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I am available now until 12.

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Hi Penny,

I have been having a number of conversations over the past few days with the ag industry. Here is a summary of what I have learned:

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2. From my conversations with the industry, it is a mixed bag related to testing. Some would welcome more testing, while others would rather see more information about testing. The additional information they would like to see is:
 - a. The type of testing available
 - b. The accuracy of the testing
 - c. The criteria for testing
 - d. Locations for testing
 - e. Hours of operation

f. Directory of local resources – clinics, home health care, on-site testing, telemedicine.

I think it would be beneficial to provide some outreach specific to the ag community outlining this information. If additional testing were to be provided (pop up testing), I think we would want to do something in South County, SLO and North County. I know North County seems to have a higher concentration of positive tests, so it may be a good idea to do it up there.

3. Most of our fieldworkers are already here. Most of the individuals are year round laborers and the only influx is our guest laborers being brought in under the H2A program and that has already happened. So, there should not be a significant influx of farm labor past this point. In the fall, we may see a shift of labor to wine grapes and away from row crops or we may see a decline in numbers.
4. I have spoken with Kelly V. and the information I sent you yesterday regarding fieldworker guidance should be posted in the agriculture portion on ReadySLO.org.

I will be giving an update at the press briefing on Wednesday and I don't plan to address any of these issues specifically as it seems it would be premature. I will however provide information about the 54,000 masks we have to distribute. Basically, I will be providing the same information that was in my article you reviewed last week.

Please let me know if I missed any information you need or if we can help in any way. We are standing by.

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Marty



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Cc: Whitney Szentesi; Ann McDowell; Jennifer Shay; Marty Settevendemie
Subject: FW: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Marc,

Whitney is working on communications regarding testing. She wants to address the barriers to migrant workers getting tested. Have you heard from growers about what those barriers may be (e.g. fear of results, such as lost wages, access to testing, awareness of testing) so we can address them in the communication materials?

Whitney: chime in with clarity as needed.

Thanks,
Elizabeth

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Thanks, Elizabeth. I didn't realize that there had been headway to conduct testing at Talley Farms but I think that is a great idea and location. Please forward any details in that regard.

Marty



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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Marty,

I received notification that you forwarded tomorrow's call information to Marc. I'll work with him moving forward. Has Marc been briefed on working with Ann McDowell to conduct testing at Talley Farms? We may be able to achieve our migrant testing objectives through Ann's project.

Elizabeth

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Elizabeth,

I have briefed my Assistant Ag Commissioner, Marc Lea on this effort and he will be assisting all of you moving forward. I will still be in the loop, but Marc will be the main contact.

Thanks,
Marty



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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

We have a call on Thursday with Care and Shelter to discuss lodging. Jennifer will be back on Thursday and hopefully she will have the info sheets on testing available for Marty and Med/Health to review. Hope to get input from the growers regarding need to targeted testing sites next week.

One question from care and shelter group: will county pay for farm workers who need to stay in motels or are we just the facilitating their use of our contract?

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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Wade is asking for dates associated with this plan, which he did approve.

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Cc: Marty Settevendemie <msettevendemie@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: FW: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

Most of us in Med/Health spoke with Marty this morning as a follow up to our last call. We propose the following COVID Migrant Worker Plan:

1. Develop information on COVID testing for Ag Dept to distribute to growers associations
 - a. PIO developing today and will send to Marty for input.
 - b. Marty will distribute to grower associate email list, post on website and PIOs will post on ReadySLO
2. Request input from growers on availability of testing for their staff; coordinate to provide pop up testing at worksite, housing location or nearby community location.
 - a. Marty will provide grower feedback to Med/Health
 - b. Med/Health will coordinate testing locations
3. With approval from EOC, offer County motel program to ag growers for use if they have workers that need to be quarantined or isolated and is unable to do so in current housing.
 - a. If approved, Med/Health will develop process instructions (similar to homeless process) for Marty to distribute to growers

At this point, most of the ag workers are working in South County. Come fall, the work will shift to SLO and North County for grape harvest.

Let me know if this plan will work for you and Wade or if we need to adjust anything—particularly the motel program piece..

Thanks,
Liz

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

I am available now until 12.

Marty



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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Marty,

Are you free between 10:30 and 12:00 today to review a plan for migrant workers?

Elizabeth

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

I have been having a number of conversations over the past few days with the ag industry. Here is a summary of what I have learned:

1. By law all employers are required to provide 3 days of sick leave to their employees, including farm labor. Since COVID arrived, farm labor has been provided 14 days of sick leave (based on certain criteria) for business with 500 or fewer employees under federal law. State law requires employers to provide 14 days of sick leave for farm labor where there are 500 or more employees. So, farm labor is protected just as other workers are.

2. From my conversations with the industry, it is a mixed bag related to testing. Some would welcome more testing, while others would rather see more information about testing. The additional information they would like to see is:
 - a. The type of testing available
 - b. The accuracy of the testing
 - c. The criteria for testing
 - d. Locations for testing
 - e. Hours of operation
 - f. Directory of local resources – clinics, home health care, on-site testing, telemedicine.

I think it would be beneficial to provide some outreach specific to the ag community outlining this information. If additional testing were to be provided (pop up testing), I think we would want to do something in South County, SLO and North County. I know North County seems to have a higher concentration of positive tests, so it may be a good idea to do it up there.

3. Most of our fieldworkers are already here. Most of the individuals are year round laborers and the only influx is our guest laborers being brought in under the H2A program and that has already happened. So, there should not be a significant influx of farm labor past this point. In the fall, we may see a shift of labor to wine grapes and away from row crops or we may see a decline in numbers.
4. I have spoken with Kelly V. and the information I sent you yesterday regarding fieldworker guidance should be posted in the agriculture portion on ReadySLO.org.

I will be giving an update at the press briefing on Wednesday and I don't plan to address any of these issues specifically as it seems it would be premature. I will however provide information about the 54,000 masks we have to distribute. Basically, I will be providing the same information that was in my article you reviewed last week.

Please let me know if I missed any information you need or if we can help in any way. We are standing by.

Marty



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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Marty,

Thanks. This is really helpful information. To be clear, is the mandatory 14 day sick leave new with COVID or been required for some time?

Yes, please do keep us posted on testing needs/logistics.

Penny

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To: Francine Levin
Subject: FW: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses
Attachments: COVID Info - Farmworker Outreach Summary.pdf

Here was the attachment. Not much for us to do at this point, except look at North County locations.

Paulina and Leo may have ideas for north county pop up testing sites. Would you mind asking them for recommendations?

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Subject: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses

Hello All,

I've attached a summary of the results from our outreach efforts conducted these past few days with local growers and ag businesses. I've identified a few items that our Department will work on directly in the coming days and weeks, and then I've included a few things that could be done that would be beneficial but aren't things that are Department can handle.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

thanks,

Marc



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Subject: RE: Brochure (For Review)

Marc,

To summarize, testing will be provided regardless of county of residence, however housing will only be provided to SLO County residents.

Thanks,
Liz

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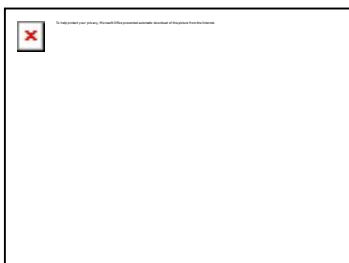
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Great. That's how I understood it but wanted to confirm. Working on a full update and will send that out soon.



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I would think for sheltering / services they must be a resident of SLO. Each county has similar programs. I will cc Chris and Natalie.

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One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say!

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For pop-up testing, there is no residency requirement.

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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Good Morning,

We have talked to a lot of ag businesses and Farm Labor Contractors over the past few days. I've got a detailed update for you that I will send before the end of today.

One quick question first. In our first conference call, it was mentioned that any people receiving services would need to be residents of San Luis Obispo County. I can't remember if that was a requirement for the hotel housing option, the "pop-up" testing sites, or both of those. Can someone please confirm what the rules would be regarding both the housing availability and the pop-up testing sites with regard to residency? That will have a significant impact on any of our efforts moving forward since many of our south county workers reside in SB County and a surprising number of our north county vineyard workers reside in Monterey County.

thanks
Marc



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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Sure thing. Go right ahead.

Thanks,
Whit

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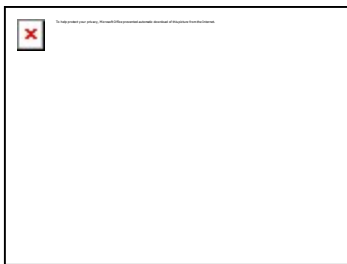
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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Whitney,

The brochure looks good to me. Is it OK to distribute via email to certain local growers and Farm Labor Contractors? I haven't had much success with the calls that I've made to people that I've worked with in the past. So I'm getting some of our staff to assist me in reaching out to all of our local FLC's with regard to the need and demand for "pop-up" testing sites. It would be helpful if after we call them and ask a few questions, we could follow up with this brochure.

thanks,
Marc



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Subject: Brochure (For Review)

Here is the designed brochure - one in English and one in Spanish - for your review.

Any changes?

Thanks,
Whitney

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**SUMMARY OF THE SLO COUNTY AG DEPARTMENT'S DIRECT OUTREACH TO LOCAL AG BUSINESSES
AND FARM LABOR CONTRACTORS (June 10, 2020)**

1. **QUESTION:** Do your employees know that they can get a free COVID test at Community Health Centers throughout SLO County?

RESPONSE: Responses were mixed. Well over half of the businesses contacted understood that COVID tests were widely available and felt that their employees were also aware of those tests. However, there was still a significant number of businesses contacted (roughly 40%) that were not aware of the testing and didn't think their employees were aware either. There weren't any easily identifiable trends, based on geography (e.g. North County vs South County based businesses) or ag industry sectors or business size, of which businesses were aware or unaware of testing availability.

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: Most businesses are aware of the testing availability, but many are not. We will take the next few weeks and do our best to distribute that information to both businesses and workers.

- Distribute brochures completed last week to growers and businesses via email and other online distribution methods.
- Provide hard copies to workers while we are in the field and conducting inspections and other work unrelated to COVID. We will print those brochures ourselves in-house.

POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM FOR OTHERS: In order to reach the workers directly, it would be really helpful to put together some kind of public awareness campaign on local Spanish language radio, if that is not already being conducted.

2. **QUESTION:** Would your employees be more likely to get tested if the County ran a free "pop-up" testing site at a local farm, vineyard, or other site on a pre-arranged day? If the answer is yes, do you have any ideas on a good location to hold that kind of testing event?

RESPONSE: Most businesses that we spoke to felt that many of the workers would get tested if there was a testing site that was convenient and that they were familiar with. For example, if you held a testing site near the same grocery stores, pharmacies, or doctor's office that these workers use on a routine basis, they would be more inclined to take advantage of that option. Interestingly, although I suppose not surprisingly, some businesses noted that it would be mostly females and children that would take advantage of the free testing and that you'd have a lower percentage of the male workers getting tested.

The most consistent message we received from businesses is that they do NOT want to host testing events at local farms or ranches. There are a lot of perception issues that could stem from those types of events that businesses had concerns about, such as the concern many of their workers would have by bringing "the government" on to their job sites, the sense that it would appear to be mandatory for all of their workers if the testing was done at a work location, etc.

There were a couple of exceptions to that response from businesses that would be interested in hosting a test site. I believe the reason for that is that they are in the nursery industry, which tends to employ a more stable, long-term work force. I will reach out to those two companies myself and get some details on how many

employees they have and if a pop-up testing event was held, would they be willing to open it up to other workers outside of their own employees?

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: Although most businesses were adamant that the testing sites do not take place on a local farm or ranch, there were a couple that welcomed that possibility. We will reach out to those businesses to obtain further information on the potential logistics of hosting an event.

POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM FOR OTHERS: Determine potential locations in North County for a possible pop-up testing site. Is there an Hispanic market or other local business that is used frequently by farm workers where a testing event could be held?

3. **QUESTION:** If one of your employee's contracts COVID, have you already made arrangements for a place that they can stay that is separated from their co-workers?

RESPONSE: Answers to this question varied greatly and tended to vary based on the size of the business. Large operations generally have made some pre-arrangements, smaller businesses had not, and were simply instructing any sick workers to self-quarantine at home.

It's important to realize that ag workers fall into a variety of different legal categories. One fairly commonly used program is the H2A visa. Under that program, the employer is sponsoring the employee and is legally required to provide housing, so these businesses have typically made some alternate housing arrangements in case they're needed. Those workers that are here under the H2A program tend to work in row crops or strawberries and are working for the larger companies, mostly located in the southern part of the county (and often with workers residing in Santa Barbara County).

Otherwise, the employees are typically responsible for their own housing. So, if they aren't here under the H2A program, then they would be living with family or other co-workers. These are the people who could have the most trouble isolating if they were to contract COVID-19, and they would not be likely to utilize the housing arrangements unless it was paid for by the County. Their employers would not generally be willing to pay for those accommodations either since they are not responsible for their living/housing situation under normal circumstances.

Since many of our agricultural workers reside in either Santa Barbara or Monterey County, I don't have a good sense of how much this housing program will be needed and/or utilized.

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: We will do our best to inform businesses and workers regarding the availability of housing for those sick with COVID utilizing the same methods discussed in #1. If there are any Spanish language public service announcements conducted, then it would be helpful to include information about this housing availability in that outreach campaign.

From: John Diodati
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 8:54 AM
To: Elizabeth Merson
Cc: EOC-Care-Shelter
Subject: FW: Zoom Brief

Liz – can you follow up with Sharon and Care/Shelter leads please on their questions below? Thanks.



John Diodati

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Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 8:04 AM
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Subject: Fw: Zoom Brief

Have you heard anything about the migrant worker sheltering program? If so, would you please shed some light on Sharon's questions?

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To: EOC-Care-Shelter <EOC-Care-Shelter@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: Zoom Brief

5/26/20

No Guest's in Hotel and Trailers

Waiting for dates and times for ECHO and PRADO Shelter COVID Testing.

EOC is looking into adapting the homeless lodging protocol for migrant farm workers that need housing if they are quarantined or isolated for COVID. We understand most of the large growers in the county have their own motel contracts, but the county would like to offer our motel program to all growers.

Waiting for Meeting information.

I have a few questions prior to the meeting. If we can get answers that will be helpful for the development of the program.

Are these individuals homeless/unsheltered? **No according to Marty**

Do we have a funding source for this program?

Will be using a hotel that is under contract now or are we looking at another hotel?

Will we need to transport the individuals to the hotel?

Will we need case management 3 times a day?

Will a public health nurse be checking the individuals?

Will they be allowed to leave the hotel?

Will we be providing the final cleaning of the room?

Sharon Lovelady, MSCJ

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From: Elizabeth Merson
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 5:44 PM
To: Wade Horton; Penny E. Borenstein
Cc: John Diodati
Subject: Migrant Worker Plan
Attachments: Migrant Worker COVID Plan.docx; Migrant-worker-testing_Brochure_approved.docx;
Migrant Worker Sheltering Process Updated 5.29.20.docx

Hi Wade and Penny,

I am requesting approval on the attached Migrant Worker COVID Plan. I've also attached the draft outreach flyer and lodging protocol.

Liz

Elizabeth Merson

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Migrant Worker COVID Plan

Objective: Reduce COVID transmission in migrant worker population, which is at higher risk for COVID-19.

Need: Migrant workers are at higher risk for COVID-19 due to their lower socio-economic status. They often live and work closely together, which increases opportunities for transmission. They may work while ill because they cannot afford to lose wages. Further, some do not have health insurance, which is a barrier to seeking medical care.

Strategy: Increase testing among migrant worker community to identify and isolate positive cases quickly in order to stop transmission of COVID-19.

- Conduct targeted awareness campaigns to address barriers to getting tested: availability of testing, fear of being positive because of lost wages and lack of isolated housing.
- Offer to conduct PH Surveillance program testing onsite at worksites and housing complexes to increase accessibility and reduce number of personal data points required for testing (which has been identified as a barrier to testing). Public Health has grant from CDPH to conduct respiratory surveillance that pays for staff time and lab testing materials, therefore PH does not bill patient's insurance and requires less personally identifiable information.
- Lodge positive patients in need of housing to maintain isolation order in County-contracted motels. Employer will pay motel fees if able, otherwise County will pay for motel and seek FEMA reimbursement through homeless act or Project Room Key.

Tasks:

- Develop flyer for Ag Dept to disseminate to ag industry growers and associations. [Text drafted 5/29/2020; PIO working on design for Ag Dept to disseminate week of 6/1/2020]
- Consider working with Promotores to conduct farm worker outreach. [Emailed Marc at Ag to determine if Ag Dept works with Promotores before proceeding 5/29/2020]
- Disseminate process for Communicable Disease workers to refer migrant workers to housing coordinator for motel programs to Ops Section Chief, Care and Shelter Branch, Med/Health Branch and Liaison. [Process drafted by Lodging Coordinator and edits provided Med/Health. Will be disseminated week of 6/1/2020].
- Schedule PH pop up clinics at farm worker worksites and housing complexes as requested. [Public Health staff available for pop up clinics immediately]
- Inform cities via Cities EOC Call of program. [OES to provide update to Cities week of 6/1/2020 or once PH pop up clinics are scheduled]

Testing is Easy, Quick & Free

We all know COVID-19 can cause serious health problems in even the healthiest individuals.

Don't risk getting your family, coworkers, and community members sick.

Get tested quickly for free and help protect your community by slowing the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019.

Find out more inside this brochure.

TESTING NEAR YOU

Find testing sites near you by visiting www.emergencyslo.org/testing or calling (805) 543-2444.

Get Tested at a Community Health Centers (CHC) Clinic

- Arroyo Grande
- Atascadero
- Cambria
- Guadalupe
- Lompoc
- Los Alamos
- New Cuyama
- Nipomo
- Oceano
- Paso Robles
- SLO
- San Miguel
- Santa Maria
- Templeton

Make an appointment at www.communityhealthcenters.org or call 1 (866) 614-4636.

Employers can request Public Health testing at your workplace by calling (805) 781-5500.

Get more information at www.ReadySLO.org.

Protect your family, your friends, your coworkers and your housemates.

FREE, CONFIDENTIAL COVID-19 TESTING GUIDE for farmworkers

- ✓ No cost
- ✓ Fast
- ✓ Confidential
- ✓ Easy & convenient
- ✓ Nearby

Now is Your Opportunity

Do you think you may have been exposed to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)? You can get tested for free, whether you have symptoms or not.

What happens if your test comes back positive?

If you test positive, you can't work until you're well. But there is help available during that time.

Get Paid When Sick

Even if you test positive for coronavirus and cannot work, you can still get paid. Food sector workers and agriculture workers - including farm workers and growers - may qualify for up to two weeks of paid sick leave for COVID-19 related reasons (part-time workers may not get the full 80 hours).

Get Lodging and Food When Sick

The County of San Luis Obispo can help coordinate lodging and food to support any farm workers diagnosed with COVID-19. County staff will work with farm workers or their employers to get temporary housing to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the farm worker and their housemates. For more information, please contact County Lodging Coordinator at 805-781-1061.

How to Get Tested

Public Health Testing at Work

The County Public Health Department can come to you! Talk to your employer about bringing testing to your workplace. Public Health will only collect your name, date of birth and contact information so they can let you know your test results. Employers can request testing at their workplace by calling (805) 781-5500.

Community Health Centers (CHC) Testing

CHC is waiving all costs for medically necessary screening and testing for COVID-19 (coronavirus). Visit www.communityhealthcenters.org or call 1 (866) 614-4636.

How does testing work?

- ✓ **Pick a location.** Depending on the testing location, you can either walk in to get tested immediately or you may have to make an appointment.
- ✓ **Show up.** A health care worker will greet you and swab the inside of your nose. The test should take a few minutes from start to finish.
- ✓ **Get your results.** It can take anywhere from 1 to 6 days to get your test results, depending on where you get tested.

Get Tested Today

Protect your friends, coworkers and loved ones.

COVID-19 testing is

- ✓ Free (no cost)
- ✓ Confidential
- ✓ Easy & convenient
- ✓ At a location near you

If you test positive, you may qualify for:

- ✓ Paid sick leave
- ✓ Free lodging

Public Health will be in touch with you daily to monitor your health if you test positive for COVID-19.

NOTE: These tests can only detect if someone has COVID-19 at the time of testing. The test cannot detect past infection of COVID-19. It also does not detect whether a person is immune or has antibodies to COVID-19.

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5. Lodging Coordinator will notify Homeless Services Team for possible case management.
6. If meals need to be provided the lodging coordinator will confirm food delivery for new guest (dietary restrictions, medications, and other Important information).

Transportation Process if Necessary

1. Lodging Coordinator will contact the Hotel in the geographic area that the individual lives.
2. Lodging Coordinator will notify the Transport Driver if the guest has any mobility issues that would require accommodations.
3. Transportation driver will transport guest to the hotel with limited property (up to 2 bags).
4. Transportation Driver will complete all forms and return to Sharon Lovelady.
5. The individual should understand that placement in the Hotel means that he or she must stay in the Hotel until cleared from isolation.

Daily Medical Checks

1. Public Health Nurse will have a face to face visit or phone call with the guest.
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3. Lodging Coordinator will update the Access Tracker.
4. If Case management is needed, they will contact each guest three times per day.
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5. Lodging coordinator will process and enter all documents from check in procedure.
6. Lodging Coordinator will provide Dr. Rosen, Sheriff, Christine Gaiger with occupancy list of current guest's and guest's that will be discharged that day.

Discharge Plan

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From: Sharon Lovelady
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 11:50 AM
To: Vince Pierucci; Natalie Walter; Laurel Weir; Christopher Barnickel; Christine Gaiger
Cc: Elizabeth Merson
Subject: Re: 6/15 Issue
Attachments: Migrant Worker Sheltering Process Updated 5.29.20 SL.docx

I would like to get a clear understanding on how we are going to pay for a Hotel for Farm Workers that are not homeless? Should we get permission before we place individuals? If so we need to add it to our process.

Thank you!

Sharon

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To: Natalie Walter <nwalter@co.slo.ca.us>; Laurel Weir <lweir@co.slo.ca.us>; Sharon Lovelady <slovelady@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: 6/15 Issue

Good Morning,

After researching the issue more the decision has been made to NOT offer services.

I understand the difficulties associated with this case but unfortunately we cannot support housing him given the following reasons:

1. Although there are complicating factors, the gentlemen has at least two places to live
2. While the gentlemen states he is positive, however Public Health cannot verify the results

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks

Vince

Vince Pierucci

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From: Elizabeth Merson
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 12:05 PM
To: Francine Levin
Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Thanks for pulling this all together. We are drowning in un-resulted cases from previous testing sites so we aren't ready to move forward with this project quite yet. Can you ping me next week to get back to this?

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Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 9:57 AM
To: Elizabeth Merson <emerson@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: FW: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Good morning,

Wow, Paulina had a lot of great ideas and insights (see below). The point she makes about the growers being more trusted than an unknown third party makes a lot sense too. If any are willing to host testing or have the facility for it. Thinking through the logistics might be worthwhile should one of their staff become infected and it be necessary to test everyone as part of a containment plan.

Leo added this regarding a testing location: Georgia Brown Elem is also a "trusted institution" as it is where most families send their little ones to school so they might be a good alternative site if others don't work out.

From Leo on marketing and promotion: But wherever the site ends up being (great recommendations from Paulina), it would be wise to reach out to the schools in the area (Flamson, Georgia Brown, High School) and connect with the housing complexes (Oak Park [PR Housing Authority], Presidio Gardens, Laguna Terrace, etc) and ask them to help promote the testing site. And if possible, blast it on the radio and local Spanish news channels (if not being done already).

Let me know if I should follow up with any potential sites. Paulina offers to connect us with a person in charge of a community room through housing authority.

Best,

Francine Levin

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To: Francine Levin <flevin@co.slo.ca.us>; Leonardo R Ontiveros <lontiveros@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Good morning Francine and Leo,

Sorry to come in so late into the conversation. But, yes I agree with Leo about testing in north Paso Robles.

That being said, I right away I thought about a Mexican meat market (Carniceria La Barata) on Spring and 34th street. That market is very popular in the Latino community and frequently used by the large farm working community that lives around there. The different apartment complexes and housing units in the vicinity (especially the Paso Robles Housing Authority- locally known as Oak Park), house farmworkers. There are other businesses in the little strip where the meat market is location. There might even be some free space, but I am not sure who to contact.

Another option is to talk with the Paso Robles Housing Authority (901 30th Street) and see if they would be open to hosting the testing site. They have a community room that is pretty spacious. They hold a lot of events there including their food distributions. The oral health program has a contact- her name is Betian Webb (bwebb@pasoroblesha.org; 805-674-4413 cell).

One last comment- I did not get to read the document and I completely understand the growers' concerns, but if anything they are best avenue for hosting pop-up testing sites. The workers trust them, their employers more than they trust us or a third party. Maybe the growers are mostly concerned of what can happen if a good number of their employees test positive.

I hope this helps and if you would like me to connect you to Betian let me know.

Best,

-Paulina

From: Francine Levin <flevin@co.slo.ca.us>
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 6:28 PM
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Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Thank you Leo! I appreciate your insights on this.

Have a good evening,

Francine Levin

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To: Francine Levin <flevin@co.slo.ca.us>; Paulina Flores Jimenez <pfloresjimenez@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

In my opinion something on the northern side of Paso would be wise since the Veteran's center already addressed the other side. This would include the area and communities around Rite-Aid on 24th Street, Flamson Middle School, Oak Park Housing, and Georgia Brown Elementary. I believe the old bowling alley is currently vacant, not sure what the policy around doing it on a school campus is like but Flamson might be another option. Basically anything above or around 24th and Spring St.

Hopefully that helps

Leo Ontiveros

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Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Inside is preferred because of the heat! If necessary, a pop-up tent could be used.

Thank you for your insights.

Be well!

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Subject: RE: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Hey Francine,

What's required spacing wise? Can it be done in a parking lot? They need an indoor facility?

Leo Ontiveros

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Subject: Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses in Paso

Hello Paulina and Leo,

Liz suggested I reach out to you tow regarding the testing outreach effort in North County. They are looking at locations for a pop-up clinic in Paso to provide additional testing to farmworkers. Our last State-sponsored testing site was at the Paso Robles Veteran's Center located at 240 Scott Street and it eventually closed due to a lack of appts. We are looking for a location that is convenient. Perhaps a location near a market or other local business that is used frequently by farm workers. The growers are apprehensive about hosting sites because of perception issues and/or concerns about gov agencies among growers.

If you have any ideas let me know, or if you know a contact I can follow up with, that would be great too.

I appreciate your help.

Very best,

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From: Elizabeth Merson <emerson@co.slo.ca.us>

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 2:36 PM

To: Francine Levin <flevin@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: FW: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses

Here was the attachment. Not much for us to do at this point, except look at North County locations.

Paulina and Leo may have ideas for north county pop up testing sites. Would you mind asking them for recommendations?

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Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 12:21 PM

To: Elizabeth Merson <emerson@co.slo.ca.us>; Sharon Lovelady <slovelady@co.slo.ca.us>; Ann McDowell <amcdowell@co.slo.ca.us>; Whitney Szentesi <wszentesi@co.slo.ca.us>; Christine Gaiger <cgaiger@co.slo.ca.us>; Laurel Weir <lweir@co.slo.ca.us>; EOC-Care-Shelter <EOC-Care-Shelter@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses

Hello All,

I've attached a summary of the results from our outreach efforts conducted these past few days with local growers and ag businesses. I've identified a few items that our Department will work on directly in the coming days and weeks, and then I've included a few things that could be done that would be beneficial but aren't things that are Department can handle.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

thanks,

Marc



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Subject: RE: Brochure (For Review)

Marc,

To summarize, testing will be provided regardless of county of residence, however housing will only be provided to SLO County residents.

Thanks,

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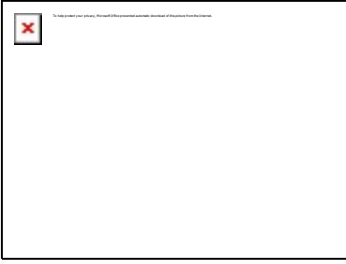
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Understandable, and absolutely! Hang in there, and keep letting me know when I can help. There must be so many moving parts to keep track of!

Take care,

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Thanks for pulling this all together. We are drowning in un-resulted cases from previous testing sites so we aren't ready to move forward with this project quite yet. Can you ping me next week to get back to this?

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Good morning,

Wow, Paulina had a lot of great ideas and insights (see below). The point she makes about the growers being more trusted than an unknown third party makes a lot sense too. If any are willing to host testing or have the facility for it. Thinking through the logistics might be worthwhile should one of their staff become infected and it be necessary to test everyone as part of a containment plan.

Leo added this regarding a testing location: Georgia Brown Elem is also a "trusted institution" as it is where most families send their little ones to school so they might be a good alternative site if others don't work out.

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Let me know if I should follow up with any potential sites. Paulina offers to connect us with a person in charge of a community room through housing authority.

Best,

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Good morning Francine and Leo,

Sorry to come in so late into the conversation. But, yes I agree with Leo about testing in north Paso Robles.

That being said, I right away I thought about a Mexican meat market (Carniceria La Barata) on Spring and 34th street. That market is very popular in the Latino community and frequently used by the large farm working community that lives around there. The different apartment complexes and housing units in the vicinity (especially the Paso Robles Housing Authority- locally known as Oak Park), house farmworkers. There are other businesses in the little strip where the meat market is location. There might even be some free space, but I am not sure who to contact.

Another option is to talk with the Paso Robles Housing Authority (901 30th Street) and see if they would be open to hosting the testing site. They have a community room that is pretty spacious. They hold a lot of events there including their food distributions. The oral health program has a contact- her name is Betian Webb (bwebb@pasoroblesha.org; 805-674-4413 cell).

One last comment- I did not get to read the document and I completely understand the growers' concerns, but if anything they are best avenue for hosting pop-up testing sites. The workers trust them, their employers more than they trust us or a third party. Maybe the growers are mostly concerned of what can happen if a good number of their employees test positive.

I hope this helps and if you would like me to connect you to Betian let me know.

Best,

-Paulina

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Thank you Leo! I appreciate your insights on this.

Have a good evening,

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In my opinion something on the northern side of Paso would be wise since the Veteran's center already addressed the other side. This would include the area and communities around Rite-Aid on 24th Street, Flamson Middle School, Oak Park Housing, and Georgia Brown Elementary. I believe the old bowling alley is currently vacant, not sure what the policy around doing it on a school campus is like but Flamson might be another option. Basically anything above or around 24th and Spring St.

Hopefully that helps

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Inside is preferred because of the heat! If necessary, a pop-up tent could be used.

Thank you for your insights.

Be well!

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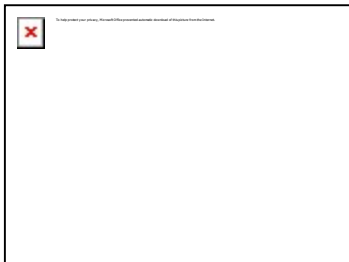
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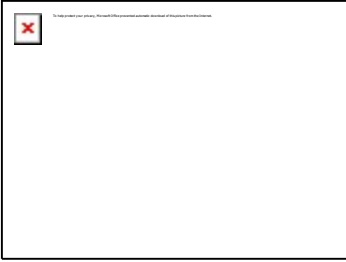
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Cc: Francine Levin
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Hi Marc,
Unless you have edits, the brochure is approved for distribution.
I have added Francine Levin to this email. She can help coordinate sending Health Education Specialists into the field to educate farm workers on COVID testing, if farm labor contractors would like in person outreach.
Liz

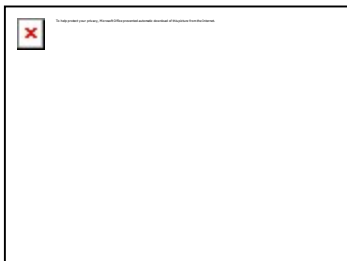
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Marc,

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Thanks,
Liz

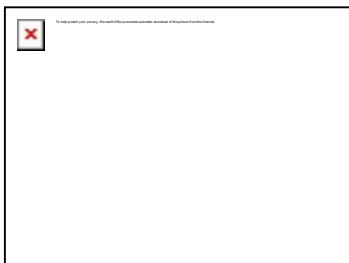
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The med/health team has a few more edits. We also want to note that the brochure is fairly high level and may be more appropriate as talking points for supervisors rather than handouts for the farm workers themselves.

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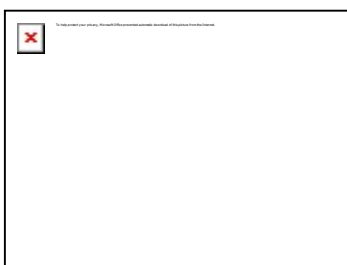
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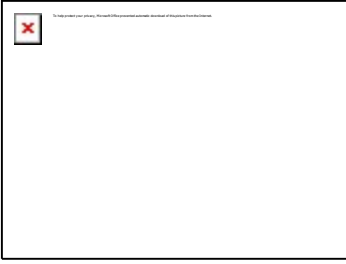
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Don't risk getting your family, coworkers, and community members sick.

Get tested quickly for free and help protect your community by slowing the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019.

Find out more inside this brochure.

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Now is Your Opportunity

Do you think you may have been exposed to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)? You can get tested for free, whether you have symptoms or not.

What happens if your test comes back positive?

If you test positive, you can't work until you're well. But there is help available during that time.

Get Paid When Sick

Even if you test positive for coronavirus and cannot work, you can still get paid. Food sector workers and agriculture workers - including farm workers and growers - may qualify for up to two weeks of paid sick leave for COVID-19 related reasons (part-time workers may not get the full 80 hours).

Get Lodging and Food When Sick

The County of San Luis Obispo can help coordinate lodging and food to support any farm workers diagnosed with COVID-19. County staff will work with farm workers or their employers to get temporary housing to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the farm worker and their housemates. For more information, please contact County Lodging Coordinator at 805-781-1061.

How to Get Tested

Public Health Testing at Work

The County Public Health Department can come to you! Talk to your employer about bringing testing to your workplace. Public Health will only collect your name, date of birth and contact information so they can let you know your test results.

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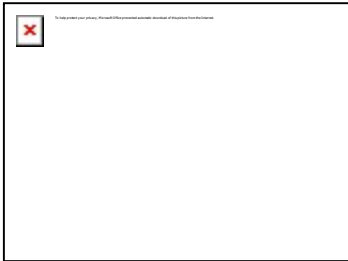
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Subject: Fw: Brochure Text Draft

Sorry to bombard everyone with emails, but I did not include Sharon, Ann, or Christine when I sent my suggested edits a few minutes ago.



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Subject: Re: Brochure Text Draft

I've got a couple of suggestions. See attached Track Changes version.



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Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 10:29 AM

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Subject: FW: Brochure Text Draft

Marc,
Can you review and provide comments to Whitney today?
Thanks,
Liz

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Updated, per Ann's request...

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To: Whitney Szentesi <wszentesi@co.slo.ca.us>
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How about moving the word confidential to the first group of descriptive words: Test is Easy, quick, confidential and free?

If that doesn't work for you, that is fine. I like it.

Ann McDowell

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Subject: Re: Brochure Text Draft

Here is the revised brochure text. Good to go? If so, I can get it translated to Spanish and designed.

Thanks,
Whit

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Can we throw the word "Confidential" in there somewhere?

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Another couple of edits/comments for consideration.

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Subject: Re: Brochure Text Draft

Thank you for the changes. We will get this translated to Spanish once it's finalized and approved.

Does anyone have any other changes?

Thanks,
Whit

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Subject: Re: Brochure Text Draft

A few suggestions. Also this needs to be in Spanish.

Sharon

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Subject: RE: Brochure Text Draft

Whitney put together some text for the migrant worker testing brochure. I made some edits in track changes. Please review and provide your feedback to me as soon as feasible.

Thanks,
Liz

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Subject: Brochure Text Draft

Hi Liz,
Here's the draft text for the migrant/farm workers testing brochure. Please send to whomever needs to review it and provide feedback.

Also, I don't know enough about the lodging program, so if you can add a sentence or two for that program, that would be great.

Once approved, we can get this translated to Spanish.

Thanks,
Whit

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Testing is Easy, Quick & Free

We all know COVID-19 can cause serious health problems in even the healthiest individuals.

Don't risk getting your family, coworkers, and community members sick.

Get tested quickly for free and help protect your community by slowing the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019.

Find out more inside this brochure.

TESTING NEAR YOU

Find testing sites near you by visiting www.emergencyslo.org/testing or calling (805) 543-2444.

Get Tested at a Community Health Centers (CHC) Clinic

- Arroyo Grande
- Atascadero
- Cambria
- Guadalupe
- Lompoc
- Los Alamos
- New Cuyama
- Nipomo
- Oceano
- Paso Robles
- SLO
- San Miguel
- Santa Maria
- Templeton

Make an appointment at www.communityhealthcenters.org or call 1 (866) 614-4636.

Employers can request Public Health testing at your workplace by calling (805) 781-5500.

Get more information at www.ReadySLO.org.

Protect your family, your friends, your coworkers and your housemates.

FREE, CONFIDENTIAL COVID-19 TESTING GUIDE for farmworkers

- ✓ No cost
- ✓ Fast
- ✓ Confidential
- ✓ Easy & convenient
- ✓ Nearby

Now is Your Opportunity

Do you think you may have been exposed to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)? You can get tested for free, whether you have symptoms or not.

What happens if your test comes back positive?

If you test positive, you can't work until you're well. But there is help available during that time.

Get Paid When Sick

Even if you test positive for coronavirus and cannot work, you can still get paid. Food sector workers and agriculture workers - including farm workers and growers - may qualify for up to two weeks of paid sick leave for COVID-19 related reasons (part-time workers may not get the full 80 hours).

Get Lodging and Food When Sick

The County of San Luis Obispo can help coordinate lodging and food to support any farm workers diagnosed with COVID-19. County staff will work with farm workers or their employers to get temporary housing to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the farm worker and their housemates. For more information, please contact County Lodging Coordinator at 805-781-1061.

How to Get Tested

Public Health Testing at Work

The County Public Health Department can come to you! Talk to your employer about bringing testing to your workplace. Public Health will only collect your name, date of birth and contact information so they can let you know your test results. Employers can request testing at their workplace by calling (805) 781-5500.

Community Health Centers (CHC) Testing

CHC is waiving all costs for medically necessary screening and testing for COVID-19 (coronavirus). Visit www.communityhealthcenters.org or call 1 (866) 614-4636.

How does testing work?

- ✓ **Pick a location.** Depending on the testing location, you can either walk in to get tested immediately or you may have to make an appointment.
- ✓ **Show up.** A health care worker will greet you and swab the inside of your nose. The test should take a few minutes from start to finish.
- ✓ **Get your results.** It can take anywhere from 1 to 6 days to get your test results, depending on where you get tested.

Get Tested Today

Protect your friends, coworkers and loved ones.

COVID-19 testing is

- ✓ Free (no cost)
- ✓ Confidential
- ✓ Easy & convenient
- ✓ At a location near you

If you test positive, you may qualify for:

- ✓ Paid sick leave
- ✓ Free lodging

Public Health will be in touch with you daily to monitor your health if you test positive for COVID-19.

NOTE: These tests can only detect if someone has COVID-19 at the time of testing. The test cannot detect past infection of COVID-19. It also does not detect whether a person is immune or has antibodies to COVID-19.

From: Whitney Szentesi
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 11:39 AM
To: Sharon Lovelady; Elizabeth Merson; Christine Gaiger; Marc Lea; Laurel Weir; Ann McDowell; Frederick S Rosen; John Diodati; EOC-Care-Shelter; EOC-Lodging
Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

I believe Wade approved the plan (per his email in the thread below).

Thanks,
Whit

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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Okay we will stand by.

Sharon

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Sharon,

Penny approved the plan but Wade hasn't yet. I imagine it will be at least a week before we are out at sites doing pop up testing because we still need to get interest from growers to provide the testing.

Liz

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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Are we a go for the Migrant Worker Program? If not when?

Thank you!

Sharon

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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Ignore my last email- found it.

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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Here is a draft for the process and intake form. Please let me know if it looks good.

A couple of questions? Will there be an isolation order? In the past the Hotel and the EOC required the isolation order to identify possible COVID+ and COVID+ hotel guests.

Are the local Law Enforcement department's aware of this new program?

Can the intake form be scanned and email to us?

We need to know who will be paying for the room. If the employer will be we will need their information at check in. It will be important for the Hotel to bill the correct guarantee of payment. We can secure the room payment and change to the appropriate payee. If the Guest will be paying and being reimbursed by their employer we will need to know.

Thank you!

Sharon

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Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 2:43 PM

To: Marc Lea <mlea@co.slo.ca.us>; Christine Gaiger <cgaiger@co.slo.ca.us>; Sharon Lovelady <slovelady@co.slo.ca.us>; Laurel Weir <lweir@co.slo.ca.us>; Whitney Szentesi <wszentesi@co.slo.ca.us>; Ann McDowell <amcdowell@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Thanks for joining the zoom call this afternoon. I've attached a track changes version of our plan that has revised action items.

Thanks for your assistance in working through the details of this plan.

Liz

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Sent: Friday, May 22, 2020 1:59 PM

To: Penny E. Borenstein <pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us>; Elizabeth Merson <emerson@co.slo.ca.us>; Marty Settevendemie <msettevendemie@co.slo.ca.us>

Cc: John Diodati <jdiodati@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Approved.



Wade Horton

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From: Penny E. Borenstein <pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us>

Sent: Friday, May 22, 2020 12:55 PM

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Cc: Wade Horton <whorton@co.slo.ca.us>; John Diodati <jdiodati@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Liz an Marty,

Thanks so much for your quick turnaround on this plan. It looks good to me. I'm copying Wade for his input as well. And John to make sure he's in the loop.

Penny

From: Elizabeth Merson <emerson@co.slo.ca.us>
Sent: Friday, May 22, 2020 11:54 AM
To: Penny E. Borenstein <pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us>
Cc: Marty Settevendemie <msettevendemie@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: FW: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

Most of us in Med/Health spoke with Marty this morning as a follow up to our last call. We propose the following COVID Migrant Worker Plan:

1. Develop information on COVID testing for Ag Dept to distribute to growers associations
 - a. PIO developing today and will send to Marty for input.
 - b. Marty will distribute to grower associate email list, post on website and PIOs will post on ReadySLO
2. Request input from growers on availability of testing for their staff; coordinate to provide pop up testing at worksite, housing location or nearby community location.
 - a. Marty will provide grower feedback to Med/Health
 - b. Med/Health will coordinate testing locations
3. With approval from EOC, offer County motel program to ag growers for use if they have workers that need to be quarantined or isolated and is unable to do so in current housing.
 - a. If approved, Med/Health will develop process instructions (similar to homeless process) for Marty to distribute to growers

At this point, most of the ag workers are working in South County. Come fall, the work will shift to SLO and North County for grape harvest.

Let me know if this plan will work for you and Wade or if we need to adjust anything—particularly the motel program piece..

Thanks,
Liz

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

I am available now until 12.

Marty



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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Marty,

Are you free between 10:30 and 12:00 today to review a plan for migrant workers?

Elizabeth

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Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 3:24 PM

To: Penny E. Borenstein <pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us>

Cc: Kelly Van Buren <kvanburen@co.slo.ca.us>; Elizabeth Merson <emerson@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

I have been having a number of conversations over the past few days with the ag industry. Here is a summary of what I have learned:

1. By law all employers are required to provide 3 days of sick leave to their employees, including farm labor. Since COVID arrived, farm labor has been provided 14 days of sick leave (based on certain criteria) for business with 500 or fewer employees under federal law. State law requires employers to provide 14 days of sick leave for farm labor where there are 500 or more employees. So, farm labor is protected just as other workers are.
2. From my conversations with the industry, it is a mixed bag related to testing. Some would welcome more testing, while others would rather see more information about testing. The additional information they would like to see is:
 - a. The type of testing available
 - b. The accuracy of the testing
 - c. The criteria for testing
 - d. Locations for testing
 - e. Hours of operation
 - f. Directory of local resources – clinics, home health care, on-site testing, telemedicine.

I think it would be beneficial to provide some outreach specific to the ag community outlining this information. If additional testing were to be provided (pop up testing), I think we would want to do something in South County, SLO and North County. I know North County seems to have a higher concentration of positive tests, so it may be a good idea to do it up there.

3. Most of our fieldworkers are already here. Most of the individuals are year round laborers and the only influx is our guest laborers being brought in under the H2A program and that has already happened. So, there should not be a significant influx of farm labor past this point. In the fall, we may see a shift of labor to wine grapes and away from row crops or we may see a decline in numbers.
4. I have spoken with Kelly V. and the information I sent you yesterday regarding fieldworker guidance should be posted in the agriculture portion on ReadySLO.org.

I will be giving an update at the press briefing on Wednesday and I don't plan to address any of these issues specifically as it seems it would be premature. I will however provide information about the 54,000 masks we have to distribute. Basically, I will be providing the same information that was in my article you reviewed last week.

Please let me know if I missed any information you need or if we can help in any way. We are standing by.

Marty



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Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2020 4:16 PM
To: Marty Settevendemie <msettevendemie@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Marty,

Thanks. This is really helpful information. To be clear, is the mandatory 14 day sick leave new with COVID or been required for some time?

Yes, please do keep us posted on testing needs/logistics.

Penny

From: Marty Settevendemie <msettevendemie@co.slo.ca.us>
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2020 1:15 PM
To: Penny E. Borenstein <pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: Financial backup for farm labor

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Migrant Worker Lodging Intake Form-Phone

Intake Date: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

DOB _____ Primary Language: _____

PHONE: _____ Ok to leave a message? ☐ Yes ☐ No

ADDITIONAL PHONE NUMBER: _____

CURRENT ADDRESS: _____

IS THIS A HOUSE/APARTMENT/TRAILER/OTHER: _____

At what location was COVID test administered? _____

Does the guest need food delivery? Yes or No If no who will provide their food delivery?

Dietary needs: _____

Allergies: _____

Does the guest currently have a mobility issue: _____

Medications: _____

Does guest have concerns about others he/she lives with? Pets? Smoking? Substance use?

Additional Notes (if applicable):

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Please email the form to the Lodging Coordinator and interoffice mail the original to Sharon Lovelady at Behavioral Health McMillian Ave, SLO

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Yes

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Thanks for your assistance in working through the details of this plan.
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 - b. The accuracy of the testing
 - c. The criteria for testing
 - d. Locations for testing
 - e. Hours of operation
 - f. Directory of local resources – clinics, home health care, on-site testing, telemedicine.

I think it would be beneficial to provide some outreach specific to the ag community outlining this information. If additional testing were to be provided (pop up testing), I think we would want to do something in South County, SLO and North County. I know North County seems to have a higher concentration of positive tests, so it may be a good idea to do it up there.

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4. I have spoken with Kelly V. and the information I sent you yesterday regarding fieldworker guidance should be posted in the agriculture portion on ReadySLO.org.

I will be giving an update at the press briefing on Wednesday and I don't plan to address any of these issues specifically as it seems it would be premature. I will however provide information about the 54,000 masks we have to distribute. Basically, I will be providing the same information that was in my article you reviewed last week.

Please let me know if I missed any information you need or if we can help in any way. We are standing by.

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5. The individual should understand that placement in the Hotel means that he or she must stay in the Hotel until cleared from isolation.

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4. If Case management is needed, they will contact each guest three times per day.
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1. Public Health Nurse will contact the Lodging Coordinator to start the discharge plan when the guest is all clear.
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4. Transportation staff will complete the discharge checklist.
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Email to: eoc-lodging@co.slo.ca.us

Migrant Worker Lodging Intake Form-Phone

Intake Date: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

DOB _____

PHONE: _____

Ok to leave a ☐ Yes ☐ No
message?

ADDITIONAL PHONE NUMBER: _____

CURRENT ADDRESS: _____

IS THIS A HOUSE/APARTMENT/TRAILER/OTHER: _____

At what location was COVID test administered? _____

Does the guest need food delivery? Yes or No If no who will provide their food delivery?

Dietary needs: _____

Allergies: _____

Does the guest currently have a mobility issue: _____

Medications: _____

Does guest have concerns about others he/she lives with? Pets? Smoking? Substance use?

Additional Notes (if applicable):

Intake Staff Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please email the form to the Lodging Coordinator and interoffice mail the original to Sharon Lovelady at Behavioral Health McMillian Ave, SLO

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Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 2:44 PM
To: 'Marc Lea - SLO County Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures'; Christine Gaiger; Sharon Lovelady; Laurel Weir; Whitney Szentesi; Ann McDowell
Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor
Attachments: Migrant Worker COVID plan 5-28-2020.docx

Thanks for joining the zoom call this afternoon. I've attached a track changes version of our plan that has revised action items.

Thanks for your assistance in working through the details of this plan.
Liz

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Approved.

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Penny

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To: Marc Lea; Elizabeth Merson
Cc: Ann McDowell; Jennifer Shay; Marty Settevendemie
Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Thank you, Marc. It would be good to get a sense of their concerns prior to starting any sort of outreach, so we can be strategic. We'll chat more tomorrow.

Thanks,
Whit

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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Elizabeth,

I haven't heard any specifics from growers regarding potential barriers to fieldworkers getting tested. I have a sense of their concerns similar to those items you listed, but that's not first hand information. After our meeting tomorrow and hearing a little bit more about this overall project, I can reach out to growers to try to get any additional information that may be needed.

regards,
Marc

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Hi Marc,

Whitney is working on communications regarding testing. She wants to address the barriers to migrant workers getting tested. Have you heard from growers about what those barriers may be (e.g. fear of results, such as lost wages, access to testing, awareness of testing) so we can address them in the communication materials?

Whitney: chime in with clarity as needed.

Thanks,
Elizabeth

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Marty



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Hi Marty,

I received notification that you forwarded tomorrow's call information to Marc. I'll work with him moving forward. Has Marc been briefed on working with Ann McDowell to conduct testing at Talley Farms? We may be able to achieve our migrant testing objectives through Ann's project.

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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

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One question from care and shelter group: will county pay for farm workers who need to stay in motels or are we just the facilitating their use of our contract?

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Wade is asking for dates associated with this plan, which he did approve.

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Ann clarified that she reached out to Talley Farms to provide testing but hasn't heard back yet.

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11. Confirm food delivery for new guest (dietary restrictions, medications, and other Important information).
12. Laundry service to be scheduled.

Transportation Process

1. Lodging Coordinator calls the Park Ranger to notify there will be an individual in the park.
2. Lodging Coordinator notifies the Transport Driver if the guest has any mobility issues that would require accommodations.
3. Transportation driver will transport guest to Trailer with limited property (up to 2 bags).
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Day 1 Medical Checks

1. Public Health Nurse will have a face to face visit with the trailer guest.
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 - a. If a guest does not respond a call to the security staff will be made to do a welfare check.
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SHELTER/WARMING CENTER

(Complete guest intake; email to LODGING COORDINATOR, Call Lodging Coordinator)

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Arrives at shelter to triage guests

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If test is warranted, because patient is symptomatic, issue Isolation Order.

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If guest refuses **test** or **transportation**, Probation Officer will detain and call Law Enforcement for arrest.

TRANSIT :

Arrives in conjunction with PH Nurse
Starts Driver Checklist

TRANSIT :

Execute 2 copies for Exhibit A (1 for Lodging Coordinator, 1 for Hotel)
Hand out "While you are at the Motel" Paper to Guest

After TRANSIT:

Deliver Executed "Exhibit A" and Driver Check List to Lodging Coordinator.

HOTEL :

Meal Deliveries from Shelter
Medication Deliveries by Pharmacy or BH Psych Tech.

HOTEL Discharge:

PH Nurse deployed to confirm 24hrs w/o fever and /or check that guest is symptom free.

IF EXCLUDED FROM HOTEL :

Lodging Coordinator will set lodging for El Chorro Park

Isolation Order Violation=Misdemeanor, Health & Safety Code, Section 120275

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I, the undersigned, agree as follows:

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- I will isolate in my Hotel room in accordance with the Order. I will not leave the Hotel except with the approval of the case manager for my Hotel. I will allow access to my Hotel room at any time to Hotel employees or County staff upon request. If I refuse to allow access to my room, Hotel or County staff have the right to forcibly enter the room.
- I will refrain from directly speaking or making contact with any of the Hotel staff.
- I will not loiter in the Hotel.
- I will adhere to “Social Distancing” by staying at least 6 feet away from any person.
- I will not engage in or participate in any social gathering.
- I will not share of any items - food, personal hygiene items, clothing, blankets, medicine, or personal belongings of any kind
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- I will not possess any weapons or other devices that could be used to cause harm to persons or property. If I have an item in my possession upon arrival, I will turn it over to the case manager for safe-keeping until my departure when it will be returned to me.
- I will comply with all check in procedures.
- I will not use foul language while at the Hotel. I will be respectful to all Hotel employees and any other guests.
- I will keep my Hotel room clean and dispose of waste properly.
- I will follow any directions issued to me by my case manager or Hotel employees.
- I will not sexually harass or engage in lewd conduct. I will not display inappropriate sexual behavior including possession of sexually explicit material. I will dress modestly and appropriately at all times, including shirt and footwear.
- I will not steal nor use other people’s belongings.
- I will not damage or destroy the Hotel room or any furniture or property.
- I will not display any form of threatening behavior including violence toward others or myself. I will not have any physical contact with the employees or guests.
- I will not have an animal with me on site other than a service animal.
- **IN CONSIDERATION OF BEING ALLOWED TO ISOLATE IN THE HOTEL, THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY RELEASES, WAIVES AND DISCHARGES AND COVENANTS NOT TO SUE** the County and the Hotel, their owners, officials, officers, employees and agents from any and all liability to the undersigned, his/her assigns, heirs and next of kin for any loss, damage, or claim therefore on account of injury to the person or property of the undersigned, whether caused by the negligent act or omission, including the passive and active negligence of those released herein, regarding the issuance and enforcement of the Order and my temporary housing/isolation at the Hotel.
- I have read and understand the above statements and am aware of the legal consequences of this agreement. **If I violate any of the above, I may be immediately removed from the Hotel in the County’s sole and absolute discretion. I understand that my removal from the Hotel doesn’t relieve me of my obligations to isolate per the Order**

COVID-19 ISOLATION HOTEL LODGING PROCEDURES

- Individual presents to an Organized Shelter/Warming Center for services
- If individual exhibits signs and or symptoms of potential COVID19 infection, the individual is segregated to a separate trailer at the shelter/warming center.
- A Lodging Coordinator is assigned to the individual. The Lodging Coordinator will:
 - Arrange Public Health screening/testing the following morning
 - Arrange Transportation from the shelter/warming center to an isolation hotel (or trailer at El Chorro Park).
 - Arrange subsistence needs (Food, Medicines, ETC.) for the duration of the individual's stay
- Public Health will arrive to shelter/warming center to evaluate the individual
 - There will be a pre-prepared Public Health Isolation Order for the Individual
 - If the individual does not meet the criteria for COVID19 investigation/isolation, the prepared Isolation Order will be destroyed and the Individual will be released to return to the shelter/warming center program participation.
 - If the Individual meets the criteria for COVID19 investigation/isolation, testing will be completed, the Isolation Order will be served, and the Individual will be transported to an isolation hotel/trailer with the Isolation Order posted on the door of the location.
 - If the Individual refuses testing and/or transportation to an isolation hotel/trailer, the individual will be detained by the Probation Transportation Officer and local Law Enforcement will be contacted for arrest and booking per violation of the Isolation Order.

- Transportation Officer will transport the Individual to an Isolation Hotel/Trailer as designated by the Lodging Coordinator.
 - Transportation Officer obtains Individual's agreement/signature on "Isolation in Hotel Agreement" (Exhibit A)
 - Transportation Officer posts Isolation Order on the Individual's room/trailer door
- Individual is expected to remain Isolated within their room/trailer
- Isolation Hotel/Trailer Security will monitor for compliance with Isolation Order
 - If Individual violates conditions of Isolation Order, Security will attempt to gain voluntary compliance
 - If Individual refuses to voluntarily comply, Local Law Enforcement will be contacted to conduct arrest and booking for violation of the Isolation Order as appropriate.
- Upon completion of COVID19 Testing of the Individual the following will occur
 - A positive test will result in the continued enforcement of the Isolation Order until the Individual is cleared by Public Health
 - A negative test result will not be determined until the following morning after the Public Health Nurse reevaluates the Individual and rules out a "False Negative" test result, the Isolation Order is in force and enforceable until removed by the Public Health Nurse. Once the negative result is confirmed and the Isolation Order removed, one of the following will occur:
 - If the Individual is compliant, he/she may be allowed to remain in the Isolation Hotel/Trailer until their original symptoms resolve.
 - If the Individual is non-compliant or wishes to leave, the individual will be offered a ride back to the location they had been originally transported from or they will be told they can (or must) leave the Isolation Hotel/Trailer by their own arranged transportation method (Foot, Pick up out front by family/friend, etc.)
- An Individual who has tested COVID19 negative and released from an Isolation Order who remains at the Isolation Hotel/Trailer and in any way violates the signed agreement (Exhibit A) or otherwise disturbs the peaceful enjoyment of the Hotel/Trailer will be told to immediately vacate. Refusal to do so will result in a call to Local Law Enforcement for resolution, including appropriate enforcement of PC602 as applicable.

AM Checklist

→ Start here if shelters notify LC about client positive for COVID19 via voicemail and email intake form by 9 am

☐ Contact Public Health with client trailer location and phone information

Contact Supervisor Christine Gaiger -781-5577 (office), 805-459-6927 (cell), cgaiger@co.slo.ca.us, or Dr. Rick Rosen

- If we don't have Guests, send email update from EOC-Lodging@co.slo.ca.us. Use Contact List *Morning Care & Shelter Homeless Update*

→ Start here if Public Health notifies has a test positive for COVID19 and has been issued an isolation order:

- ☐ Begin Transport process
- ☐ Call driver on schedule
- ☐ Call Laska Gaylord 805-440-3422 at El Chorro
- ☐ Contact security Diana at 5 Cities Security @ 805-888-1882
- ☐ Contact Meal Delivery DSW with new guest info
- ☐ Contact the Honor Farm Kitchen 781-4607
- ☐ Email all Case Managers, LCs, with new guest info. Cc Sharon

Public Health notifies Sharon about guest health status

- discharge situation
- Contact Park Staff
- Contact Case Manager
- Notify transport driver—yes, we need transport from trailers back to where they were transferred from.

PM Checklist

4pm – 6 pm

☐ **Update Occupancy Tracker worksheet**

☐ **Check in with next day's transport driver**

☐ **Email evening trailer guests update**

- send from EOC-Lodging@co.slo.ca.us. Use Contact List *Evening Care & Shelter Motel Occupancy Update*

☐ **Update all Case Managers and LCs**

Confirm next day's meals (yes or no)

- ☐ with Honor Farm kitchen at 805-781-4607. If no answer, leave a message. Kitchen manager is Donna Kaminski dkaminski@co.slo.ca.us
- ☐ with meal delivery: Elizabeth Castillo (Sheriff's Office) 805-406-4839
- ☐ **Contact Security if new guests before 8 pm**

POSITIVE COVID INDIVIDUALS

(Complete guest intake; email to LODGING COORDINATOR, Call Lodging Coordinator)

LODGING COORDINATOR

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE :

Identify a positive test

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If individual can shelter in place will be given an Isolation Order.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE :

If individual can't shelter a trailer will be available. An isolation order will be issued.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE /TRANSIT:

If guest refuses **test** or **transportation**, Probation Officer will arrest and call for transport.

Isolation Order Violation=Misdemeanor, Health & Safety Code, Section 120275

TRANSIT :

Arrives in conjunction with PH Nurse
Starts Driver Checklist

TRANSIT :

Execute 2 copies for Exhibit A (1 for Lodging Coordinator, 1 for Hotel)
Hand out "While you are at the Motel" Paper to Guest

After TRANSIT:

Deliver Executed "Exhibit A"
Deliver Driver Check List
To EOC office

Email daily occupancy updates to
Communication List addresses

TRAILER

Meal Deliveries from shelter/other
Medication Deliveries by Pharmacy
or BH Psych Tech.

Trailer Discharge:

PH Nurse deployed to confirm 24hrs
w/o fever and /or check that guest is
symptom free.

Transport to location where
the individual was originally
from.

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Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 8:12 PM
To: Elizabeth Merson; Wade Horton
Cc: John Diodati
Subject: Re: Migrant Worker Plan

Approved from my end. For Wade's SA (yea, I can use acronyms with the best of 'em...situational awareness), we have had at least 2 clusters of illness among farm workers so it's an area of true vulnerability.

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Looks good – but what is a “promoteres”

- *Consider working with Promotores to conduct farm worker outreach. [Emailed Marc at Ag to determine if Ag Dept works with Promotores before proceeding 5/29/2020]*

Wade Horton

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I have not heard from Paulina yet. The area Leo mentions would be a new part of town which would be good.

Best,

Francine Levin

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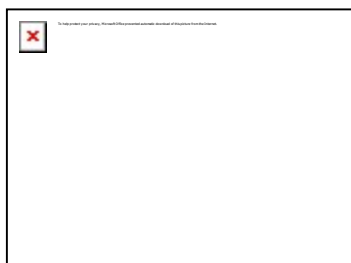
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Great. That's how I understood it but wanted to confirm. Working on a full update and will send that out soon.



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I would think for sheltering / services they must be a resident of SLO. Each county has similar programs. I will cc Chris and Natalie.

Sharon Lovelady, MSCJ

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One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say!

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For pop-up testing, there is no residency requirement.

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Good Morning,

We have talked to a lot of ag businesses and Farm Labor Contractors over the past few days. I've got a detailed update for you that I will send before the end of today.

One quick question first. In our first conference call, it was mentioned that any people receiving services would need to be residents of San Luis Obispo County. I can't remember if that was a requirement for the hotel housing option, the "pop-up" testing sites, or both of those. Can someone please confirm what the rules would be regarding both the housing availability and the pop-up testing sites with regard to residency? That will have a significant impact on any of our efforts moving forward since many of our south county workers reside in SB County and a surprising number of our north county vineyard workers reside in Monterey County.

thanks
Marc



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Sure thing. Go right ahead.

Thanks,
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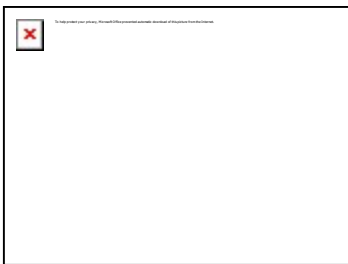
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Here is the designed brochure - one in English and one in Spanish - for your review.

Any changes?

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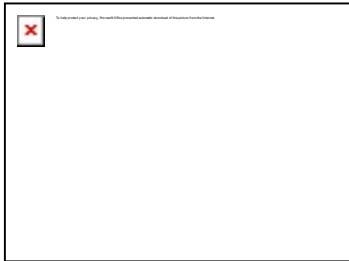
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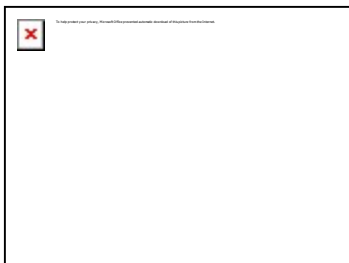
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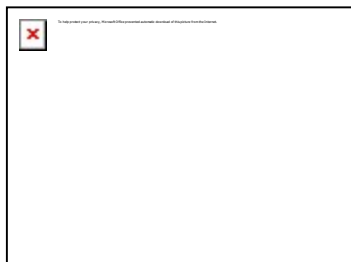
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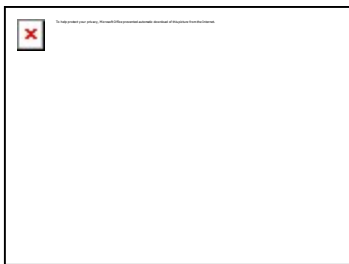
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Attachments: COVID Info - Farmworker Outreach Summary.pdf

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1. **QUESTION:** Do your employees know that they can get a free COVID test at Community Health Centers throughout SLO County?

RESPONSE: Responses were mixed. Well over half of the businesses contacted understood that COVID tests were widely available and felt that their employees were also aware of those tests. However, there was still a significant number of businesses contacted (roughly 40%) that were not aware of the testing and didn't think their employees were aware either. There weren't any easily identifiable trends, based on geography (e.g. North County vs South County based businesses) or ag industry sectors or business size, of which businesses were aware or unaware of testing availability.

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: Most businesses are aware of the testing availability, but many are not. We will take the next few weeks and do our best to distribute that information to both businesses and workers.

- Distribute brochures completed last week to growers and businesses via email and other online distribution methods.
- Provide hard copies to workers while we are in the field and conducting inspections and other work unrelated to COVID. We will print those brochures ourselves in-house.

POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM FOR OTHERS: In order to reach the workers directly, it would be really helpful to put together some kind of public awareness campaign on local Spanish language radio, if that is not already being conducted.

2. **QUESTION:** Would your employees be more likely to get tested if the County ran a free "pop-up" testing site at a local farm, vineyard, or other site on a pre-arranged day? If the answer is yes, do you have any ideas on a good location to hold that kind of testing event?

RESPONSE: Most businesses that we spoke to felt that many of the workers would get tested if there was a testing site that was convenient and that they were familiar with. For example, if you held a testing site near the same grocery stores, pharmacies, or doctor's office that these workers use on a routine basis, they would be more inclined to take advantage of that option. Interestingly, although I suppose not surprisingly, some businesses noted that it would be mostly females and children that would take advantage of the free testing and that you'd have a lower percentage of the male workers getting tested.

The most consistent message we received from businesses is that they do NOT want to host testing events at local farms or ranches. There are a lot of perception issues that could stem from those types of events that businesses had concerns about, such as the concern many of their workers would have by bringing "the government" on to their job sites, the sense that it would appear to be mandatory for all of their workers if the testing was done at a work location, etc.

There were a couple of exceptions to that response from businesses that would be interested in hosting a test site. I believe the reason for that is that they are in the nursery industry, which tends to employ a more stable, long-term work force. I will reach out to those two companies myself and get some details on how many

employees they have and if a pop-up testing event was held, would they be willing to open it up to other workers outside of their own employees?

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: Although most businesses were adamant that the testing sites do not take place on a local farm or ranch, there were a couple that welcomed that possibility. We will reach out to those businesses to obtain further information on the potential logistics of hosting an event.

POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM FOR OTHERS: Determine potential locations in North County for a possible pop-up testing site. Is there an Hispanic market or other local business that is used frequently by farm workers where a testing event could be held?

3. **QUESTION:** If one of your employee's contracts COVID, have you already made arrangements for a place that they can stay that is separated from their co-workers?

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It's important to realize that ag workers fall into a variety of different legal categories. One fairly commonly used program is the H2A visa. Under that program, the employer is sponsoring the employee and is legally required to provide housing, so these businesses have typically made some alternate housing arrangements in case they're needed. Those workers that are here under the H2A program tend to work in row crops or strawberries and are working for the larger companies, mostly located in the southern part of the county (and often with workers residing in Santa Barbara County).

Otherwise, the employees are typically responsible for their own housing. So, if they aren't here under the H2A program, then they would be living with family or other co-workers. These are the people who could have the most trouble isolating if they were to contract COVID-19, and they would not be likely to utilize the housing arrangements unless it was paid for by the County. Their employers would not generally be willing to pay for those accommodations either since they are not responsible for their living/housing situation under normal circumstances.

Since many of our agricultural workers reside in either Santa Barbara or Monterey County, I don't have a good sense of how much this housing program will be needed and/or utilized.

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: We will do our best to inform businesses and workers regarding the availability of housing for those sick with COVID utilizing the same methods discussed in #1. If there are any Spanish language public service announcements conducted, then it would be helpful to include information about this housing availability in that outreach campaign.

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Thank you!

Sharon

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I need to coordinate with Marty to answer these questions.

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Liz – can you follow up with Sharon and Care/Shelter leads please on their questions below? Thanks.



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Have you heard anything about the migrant worker sheltering program? If so, would you please shed some light on Sharon's questions?

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Subject: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses
Attachments: COVID Info - Farmworker Outreach Summary.pdf

Hello All,

I've attached a summary of the results from our outreach efforts conducted these past few days with local growers and ag businesses. I've identified a few items that our Department will work on directly in the coming days and weeks, and then I've included a few things that could be done that would be beneficial but aren't things that are Department can handle.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

thanks,

Marc

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Subject: RE: Brochure (For Review)

Marc,

To summarize, testing will be provided regardless of county of residence, however housing will only be provided to SLO County residents.

Thanks,

Liz

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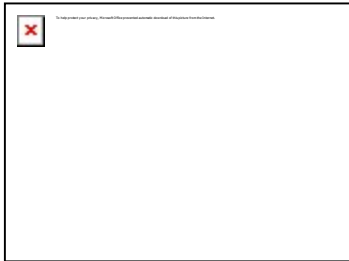
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Great. That's how I understood it but wanted to confirm. Working on a full update and will send that out soon.



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I would think for sheltering / services they must be a resident of SLO. Each county has similar programs. I will cc Chris and Natalie.

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For pop-up testing, there is no residency requirement.

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Good Morning,

We have talked to a lot of ag businesses and Farm Labor Contractors over the past few days. I've got a detailed update for you that I will send before the end of today.

One quick question first. In our first conference call, it was mentioned that any people receiving services would need to be residents of San Luis Obispo County. I can't remember if that was a requirement for the hotel housing option, the "pop-up" testing sites, or both of those. Can someone please confirm what the rules would be regarding both the housing availability and the pop-up testing sites with regard to residency? That will have a significant impact on any of our efforts moving forward since many of our south county workers reside in SB County and a surprising number of our north county vineyard workers reside in Monterey County.

thanks

Marc

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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Sure thing. Go right ahead.

Thanks,

Whit

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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Whitney,

The brochure looks good to me. Is it OK to distribute via email to certain local growers and Farm Labor Contractors? I haven't had much success with the calls that I've made to people that I've worked with in the past. So I'm getting some of our staff to assist me in reaching out to all of our local FLC's with regard to the need and demand for "pop-up" testing sites. It would be helpful if after we call them and ask a few questions, we could follow up with this brochure.

thanks,
Marc

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Subject: Brochure (For Review)

Here is the designed brochure - one in English and one in Spanish - for your review.

Any changes?

Thanks,
Whitney

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**SUMMARY OF THE SLO COUNTY AG DEPARTMENT'S DIRECT OUTREACH TO LOCAL AG BUSINESSES
AND FARM LABOR CONTRACTORS (June 10, 2020)**

1. **QUESTION:** Do your employees know that they can get a free COVID test at Community Health Centers throughout SLO County?

RESPONSE: Responses were mixed. Well over half of the businesses contacted understood that COVID tests were widely available and felt that their employees were also aware of those tests. However, there was still a significant number of businesses contacted (roughly 40%) that were not aware of the testing and didn't think their employees were aware either. There weren't any easily identifiable trends, based on geography (e.g. North County vs South County based businesses) or ag industry sectors or business size, of which businesses were aware or unaware of testing availability.

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: Most businesses are aware of the testing availability, but many are not. We will take the next few weeks and do our best to distribute that information to both businesses and workers.

- Distribute brochures completed last week to growers and businesses via email and other online distribution methods.
- Provide hard copies to workers while we are in the field and conducting inspections and other work unrelated to COVID. We will print those brochures ourselves in-house.

POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM FOR OTHERS: In order to reach the workers directly, it would be really helpful to put together some kind of public awareness campaign on local Spanish language radio, if that is not already being conducted.

2. **QUESTION:** Would your employees be more likely to get tested if the County ran a free "pop-up" testing site at a local farm, vineyard, or other site on a pre-arranged day? If the answer is yes, do you have any ideas on a good location to hold that kind of testing event?

RESPONSE: Most businesses that we spoke to felt that many of the workers would get tested if there was a testing site that was convenient and that they were familiar with. For example, if you held a testing site near the same grocery stores, pharmacies, or doctor's office that these workers use on a routine basis, they would be more inclined to take advantage of that option. Interestingly, although I suppose not surprisingly, some businesses noted that it would be mostly females and children that would take advantage of the free testing and that you'd have a lower percentage of the male workers getting tested.

The most consistent message we received from businesses is that they do NOT want to host testing events at local farms or ranches. There are a lot of perception issues that could stem from those types of events that businesses had concerns about, such as the concern many of their workers would have by bringing "the government" on to their job sites, the sense that it would appear to be mandatory for all of their workers if the testing was done at a work location, etc.

There were a couple of exceptions to that response from businesses that would be interested in hosting a test site. I believe the reason for that is that they are in the nursery industry, which tends to employ a more stable, long-term work force. I will reach out to those two companies myself and get some details on how many

employees they have and if a pop-up testing event was held, would they be willing to open it up to other workers outside of their own employees?

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: Although most businesses were adamant that the testing sites do not take place on a local farm or ranch, there were a couple that welcomed that possibility. We will reach out to those businesses to obtain further information on the potential logistics of hosting an event.

POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM FOR OTHERS: Determine potential locations in North County for a possible pop-up testing site. Is there an Hispanic market or other local business that is used frequently by farm workers where a testing event could be held?

3. **QUESTION:** If one of your employee's contracts COVID, have you already made arrangements for a place that they can stay that is separated from their co-workers?

RESPONSE: Answers to this question varied greatly and tended to vary based on the size of the business. Large operations generally have made some pre-arrangements, smaller businesses had not, and were simply instructing any sick workers to self-quarantine at home.

It's important to realize that ag workers fall into a variety of different legal categories. One fairly commonly used program is the H2A visa. Under that program, the employer is sponsoring the employee and is legally required to provide housing, so these businesses have typically made some alternate housing arrangements in case they're needed. Those workers that are here under the H2A program tend to work in row crops or strawberries and are working for the larger companies, mostly located in the southern part of the county (and often with workers residing in Santa Barbara County).

Otherwise, the employees are typically responsible for their own housing. So, if they aren't here under the H2A program, then they would be living with family or other co-workers. These are the people who could have the most trouble isolating if they were to contract COVID-19, and they would not be likely to utilize the housing arrangements unless it was paid for by the County. Their employers would not generally be willing to pay for those accommodations either since they are not responsible for their living/housing situation under normal circumstances.

Since many of our agricultural workers reside in either Santa Barbara or Monterey County, I don't have a good sense of how much this housing program will be needed and/or utilized.

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: We will do our best to inform businesses and workers regarding the availability of housing for those sick with COVID utilizing the same methods discussed in #1. If there are any Spanish language public service announcements conducted, then it would be helpful to include information about this housing availability in that outreach campaign.

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Cc: John Diodati; Marc Lea; Ann McDowell
Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Thanks, Elizabeth. I didn't realize that there had been headway to conduct testing at Talley Farms but I think that is a great idea and location. Please forward any details in that regard.

Marty



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Hi Marty,

I received notification that you forwarded tomorrow's call information to Marc. I'll work with him moving forward. Has Marc been briefed on working with Ann McDowell to conduct testing at Talley Farms? We may be able to achieve our migrant testing objectives through Ann's project.

Elizabeth

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Hi Elizabeth,

I have briefed my Assistant Ag Commissioner, Marc Lea on this effort and he will be assisting all of you moving forward. I will still be in the loop, but Marc will be the main contact.

Thanks,
Marty



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We have a call on Thursday with Care and Shelter to discuss lodging. Jennifer will be back on Thursday and hopefully she will have the info sheets on testing available for Marty and Med/Health to review. Hope to get input from the growers regarding need to targeted testing sites next week.

One question from care and shelter group: will county pay for farm workers who need to stay in motels or are we just the facilitating their use of our contract?

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Wade is asking for dates associated with this plan, which he did approve.

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Subject: FW: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

Most of us in Med/Health spoke with Marty this morning as a follow up to our last call. We propose the following COVID Migrant Worker Plan:

1. Develop information on COVID testing for Ag Dept to distribute to growers associations
 - a. PIO developing today and will send to Marty for input.
 - b. Marty will distribute to grower associate email list, post on website and PIOs will post on ReadySLO
2. Request input from growers on availability of testing for their staff; coordinate to provide pop up testing at worksite, housing location or nearby community location.
 - a. Marty will provide grower feedback to Med/Health
 - b. Med/Health will coordinate testing locations
3. With approval from EOC, offer County motel program to ag growers for use if they have workers that need to be quarantined or isolated and is unable to do so in current housing.
 - a. If approved, Med/Health will develop process instructions (similar to homeless process) for Marty to distribute to growers

At this point, most of the ag workers are working in South County. Come fall, the work will shift to SLO and North County for grape harvest.

Let me know if this plan will work for you and Wade or if we need to adjust anything—particularly the motel program piece..

Thanks,
Liz

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I am available now until 12.

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Marty,

Are you free between 10:30 and 12:00 today to review a plan for migrant workers?

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

I have been having a number of conversations over the past few days with the ag industry. Here is a summary of what I have learned:

1. By law all employers are required to provide 3 days of sick leave to their employees, including farm labor. Since COVID arrived, farm labor has been provided 14 days of sick leave (based on certain criteria) for business with 500 or fewer employees under federal law. State law requires employers to provide 14 days of sick leave for farm labor where there are 500 or more employees. So, farm labor is protected just as other workers are.
2. From my conversations with the industry, it is a mixed bag related to testing. Some would welcome more testing, while others would rather see more information about testing. The additional information they would like to see is:
 - a. The type of testing available
 - b. The accuracy of the testing
 - c. The criteria for testing
 - d. Locations for testing
 - e. Hours of operation
 - f. Directory of local resources – clinics, home health care, on-site testing, telemedicine.

I think it would be beneficial to provide some outreach specific to the ag community outlining this information. If additional testing were to be provided (pop up testing), I think we would want to do something in South County, SLO and North County. I know North County seems to have a higher concentration of positive tests, so it may be a good idea to do it up there.

3. Most of our fieldworkers are already here. Most of the individuals are year round laborers and the only influx is our guest laborers being brought in under the H2A program and that has already happened. So, there should not be a significant influx of farm labor past this point. In the fall, we may see a shift of labor to wine grapes and away from row crops or we may see a decline in numbers.
4. I have spoken with Kelly V. and the information I sent you yesterday regarding fieldworker guidance should be posted in the agriculture portion on ReadySLO.org.

I will be giving an update at the press briefing on Wednesday and I don't plan to address any of these issues specifically as it seems it would be premature. I will however provide information about the 54,000 masks we have to distribute. Basically, I will be providing the same information that was in my article you reviewed last week.

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Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 4:05 PM
To: Elizabeth Merson
Cc: Whitney Szentesi; Ann McDowell; Jennifer Shay; Marty Settevendemie
Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Elizabeth,

I haven't heard any specifics from growers regarding potential barriers to fieldworkers getting tested. I have a sense of their concerns similar to those items you listed, but that's not first hand information. After our meeting tomorrow and hearing a little bit more about this overall project, I can reach out to growers to try to get any additional information that may be needed.

regards,
Marc

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Hi Marc,

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Whitney: chime in with clarity as needed.

Thanks,
Elizabeth

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Subject: FW: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

Most of us in Med/Health spoke with Marty this morning as a follow up to our last call. We propose the following COVID Migrant Worker Plan:

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- b. Marty will distribute to grower associate email list, post on website and PIOs will post on ReadySLO
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 - b. Med/Health will coordinate testing locations
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 - a. If approved, Med/Health will develop process instructions (similar to homeless process) for Marty to distribute to growers

At this point, most of the ag workers are working in South County. Come fall, the work will shift to SLO and North County for grape harvest.

Let me know if this plan will work for you and Wade or if we need to adjust anything—particularly the motel program piece..

Thanks,
Liz

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I am available now until 12.

Marty



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Are you free between 10:30 and 12:00 today to review a plan for migrant workers?

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

I have been having a number of conversations over the past few days with the ag industry. Here is a summary of what I have learned:

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 - a. The type of testing available
 - b. The accuracy of the testing
 - c. The criteria for testing
 - d. Locations for testing
 - e. Hours of operation
 - f. Directory of local resources – clinics, home health care, on-site testing, telemedicine.

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To: Marty Settevendemie
Subject: RE: Identifying harvest site for random testing

Thank you!

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Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:35 AM
To: Marc Lea; Whitney Szentesi; Elizabeth Merson; Sharon Lovelady; Christine Gaiger; Laurel Weir
Subject: RE: Brochure (For Review)

For pop-up testing, there is no residency requirement.

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One quick question first. In our first conference call, it was mentioned that any people receiving services would need to be residents of San Luis Obispo County. I can't remember if that was a requirement for the hotel housing option, the "pop-up" testing sites, or both of those. Can someone please confirm what the rules would be regarding both the housing availability and the pop-up testing sites with regard to residency? That will have a significant impact on any of our efforts moving forward since many of our south county workers reside in SB County and a surprising number of our north county vineyard workers reside in Monterey County.

thanks
Marc

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Sure thing. Go right ahead.

Thanks,
Whit

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Whitney,

The brochure looks good to me. Is it OK to distribute via email to certain local growers and Farm Labor Contractors? I haven't had much success with the calls that I've made to people that I've worked with in the past. So I'm getting some of our staff to assist me in reaching out to all of our local FLC's with regard to the need and demand for "pop-up" testing sites. It would be helpful if after we call them and ask a few questions, we could follow up with this brochure.

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Any changes?

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2. Request input from growers on availability of testing for their staff; coordinate to provide pop up testing at worksite, housing location or nearby community location.
 - a. Marty will provide grower feedback to Med/Health
 - b. Med/Health will coordinate testing locations
3. With approval from EOC, offer County motel program to ag growers for use if they have workers that need to be quarantined or isolated and is unable to do so in current housing.
 - a. If approved, Med/Health will develop process instructions (similar to homeless process) for Marty to distribute to growers

At this point, most of the ag workers are working in South County. Come fall, the work will shift to SLO and North County for grape harvest.

Let me know if this plan will work for you and Wade or if we need to adjust anything—particularly the motel program piece..

Thanks,
Liz

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

I am available now until 12.

Marty



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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Marty,

Are you free between 10:30 and 12:00 today to review a plan for migrant workers?

Elizabeth

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Subject: RE: Financial backup for farm labor

Hi Penny,

I have been having a number of conversations over the past few days with the ag industry. Here is a summary of what I have learned:

1. By law all employers are required to provide 3 days of sick leave to their employees, including farm labor. Since COVID arrived, farm labor has been provided 14 days of sick leave (based on certain criteria) for business with 500 or fewer employees under federal law. State law requires employers to provide 14 days of sick leave for farm labor where there are 500 or more employees. So, farm labor is protected just as other workers are.
2. From my conversations with the industry, it is a mixed bag related to testing. Some would welcome more testing, while others would rather see more information about testing. The additional information they would like to see is:
 - a. The type of testing available
 - b. The accuracy of the testing
 - c. The criteria for testing
 - d. Locations for testing
 - e. Hours of operation
 - f. Directory of local resources – clinics, home health care, on-site testing, telemedicine.

I think it would be beneficial to provide some outreach specific to the ag community outlining this information. If additional testing were to be provided (pop up testing), I think we would want to do something in South County, SLO and North County. I know North County seems to have a higher concentration of positive tests, so it may be a good idea to do it up there.

3. Most of our fieldworkers are already here. Most of the individuals are year round laborers and the only influx is our guest laborers being brought in under the H2A program and that has already happened. So, there should not be a significant influx of farm labor past this point. In the fall, we may see a shift of labor to wine grapes and away from row crops or we may see a decline in numbers.
4. I have spoken with Kelly V. and the information I sent you yesterday regarding fieldworker guidance should be posted in the agriculture portion on ReadySLO.org.

I will be giving an update at the press briefing on Wednesday and I don't plan to address any of these issues specifically as it seems it would be premature. I will however provide information about the 54,000 masks we have to distribute. Basically, I will be providing the same information that was in my article you reviewed last week.

Please let me know if I missed any information you need or if we can help in any way. We are standing by.

Marty



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Subject: Re: Financial backup for farm labor

Marty,

Thanks. This is really helpful information. To be clear, is the mandatory 14 day sick leave new with COVID or been required for some time?

Yes, please do keep us posted on testing needs/logistics.

Penny

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Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2020 1:15 PM

To: Penny E. Borenstein <pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Financial backup for farm labor

Penny,

I have been reaching out to various contacts regarding benefits for farm labor. There is a mandatory 14 days of Employer Paid Sick Leave for farmworkers. Additionally, there is a program, similar to FMLA, that becomes active after 30 days of employment. So, that being said, there is a cushion for farmworkers if they become sick due to COVID. Also, I am hearing from some of our larger growers, who hire and retain their own labor, that they have established a means to isolate workers should they become infected. I can't say that this is across the board, but it there has been some proactive actions taken by some growers.

So far, I am hearing that more testing would be welcome and we have been offered a site at the Farm Bureau office in SLO. I know we would need one in south county as well, as that is the highest concentration of farmworkers. One thing to keep in mind is that these testing sites would have to be flexible to accommodate the schedule of farmworkers such as being open early, late and possibly on weekends. I will dig deeper and have more info for you soon.

Thanks for all you are doing. You have done an amazing job!

Marty



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**SUMMARY OF THE SLO COUNTY AG DEPARTMENT'S DIRECT OUTREACH TO LOCAL AG BUSINESSES
AND FARM LABOR CONTRACTORS (June 10, 2020)**

1. **QUESTION:** Do your employees know that they can get a free COVID test at Community Health Centers throughout SLO County?

RESPONSE: Responses were mixed. Well over half of the businesses contacted understood that COVID tests were widely available and felt that their employees were also aware of those tests. However, there was still a significant number of businesses contacted (roughly 40%) that were not aware of the testing and didn't think their employees were aware either. There weren't any easily identifiable trends, based on geography (e.g. North County vs South County based businesses) or ag industry sectors or business size, of which businesses were aware or unaware of testing availability.

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: Most businesses are aware of the testing availability, but many are not. We will take the next few weeks and do our best to distribute that information to both businesses and workers.

- Distribute brochures completed last week to growers and businesses via email and other online distribution methods.
- Provide hard copies to workers while we are in the field and conducting inspections and other work unrelated to COVID. We will print those brochures ourselves in-house.

POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM FOR OTHERS: In order to reach the workers directly, it would be really helpful to put together some kind of public awareness campaign on local Spanish language radio, if that is not already being conducted.

2. **QUESTION:** Would your employees be more likely to get tested if the County ran a free "pop-up" testing site at a local farm, vineyard, or other site on a pre-arranged day? If the answer is yes, do you have any ideas on a good location to hold that kind of testing event?

RESPONSE: Most businesses that we spoke to felt that many of the workers would get tested if there was a testing site that was convenient and that they were familiar with. For example, if you held a testing site near the same grocery stores, pharmacies, or doctor's office that these workers use on a routine basis, they would be more inclined to take advantage of that option. Interestingly, although I suppose not surprisingly, some businesses noted that it would be mostly females and children that would take advantage of the free testing and that you'd have a lower percentage of the male workers getting tested.

The most consistent message we received from businesses is that they do NOT want to host testing events at local farms or ranches. There are a lot of perception issues that could stem from those types of events that businesses had concerns about, such as the concern many of their workers would have by bringing "the government" on to their job sites, the sense that it would appear to be mandatory for all of their workers if the testing was done at a work location, etc.

There were a couple of exceptions to that response from businesses that would be interested in hosting a test site. I believe the reason for that is that they are in the nursery industry, which tends to employ a more stable, long-term work force. I will reach out to those two companies myself and get some details on how many

employees they have and if a pop-up testing event was held, would they be willing to open it up to other workers outside of their own employees?

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: Although most businesses were adamant that the testing sites do not take place on a local farm or ranch, there were a couple that welcomed that possibility. We will reach out to those businesses to obtain further information on the potential logistics of hosting an event.

POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM FOR OTHERS: Determine potential locations in North County for a possible pop-up testing site. Is there an Hispanic market or other local business that is used frequently by farm workers where a testing event could be held?

3. **QUESTION:** If one of your employee's contracts COVID, have you already made arrangements for a place that they can stay that is separated from their co-workers?

RESPONSE: Answers to this question varied greatly and tended to vary based on the size of the business. Large operations generally have made some pre-arrangements, smaller businesses had not, and were simply instructing any sick workers to self-quarantine at home.

It's important to realize that ag workers fall into a variety of different legal categories. One fairly commonly used program is the H2A visa. Under that program, the employer is sponsoring the employee and is legally required to provide housing, so these businesses have typically made some alternate housing arrangements in case they're needed. Those workers that are here under the H2A program tend to work in row crops or strawberries and are working for the larger companies, mostly located in the southern part of the county (and often with workers residing in Santa Barbara County).

Otherwise, the employees are typically responsible for their own housing. So, if they aren't here under the H2A program, then they would be living with family or other co-workers. These are the people who could have the most trouble isolating if they were to contract COVID-19, and they would not be likely to utilize the housing arrangements unless it was paid for by the County. Their employers would not generally be willing to pay for those accommodations either since they are not responsible for their living/housing situation under normal circumstances.

Since many of our agricultural workers reside in either Santa Barbara or Monterey County, I don't have a good sense of how much this housing program will be needed and/or utilized.

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AG DEPARTMENT: We will do our best to inform businesses and workers regarding the availability of housing for those sick with COVID utilizing the same methods discussed in #1. If there are any Spanish language public service announcements conducted, then it would be helpful to include information about this housing availability in that outreach campaign.

From: Penny E. Borenstein
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 1:58 PM
To: Whitney Szentesi; Wade Horton
Cc: Vince Pierucci; Elizabeth Merson; Ann McDowell; Cindy Treichler
Subject: Re: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses
Attachments: COVID Info - Farmworker Outreach Summary.pdf

Great info. Thanks. Too late I suppose, but I thought one of the questions was going to assess awareness of mandatory issuance of leave for ill workers.

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To: Wade Horton <whorton@co.slo.ca.us>; Penny E. Borenstein <pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: Fw: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses

Just to keep you in the loop...

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Subject: Update on Ag Department Outreach to Growers and Ag Businesses

Hello All,

I've attached a summary of the results from our outreach efforts conducted these past few days with local growers and ag businesses. I've identified a few items that our Department will work on directly in the coming days and weeks, and then I've included a few things that could be done that would be beneficial but aren't things that are Department can handle.

Please let me know if you have any questions.
thanks,
Marc



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Subject: RE: Brochure (For Review)

Marc,

To summarize, testing will be provided regardless of county of residence, however housing will only be provided to SLO County residents.

Thanks,

Liz

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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Great. That's how I understood it but wanted to confirm. Working on a full update and will send that out soon.



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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

I would think for sheltering / services they must be a resident of SLO. Each county has similar programs. I will cc Chris and Natalie.

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One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say!

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Subject: RE: Brochure (For Review)

For pop-up testing, there is no residency requirement.

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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Good Morning,

We have talked to a lot of ag businesses and Farm Labor Contractors over the past few days. I've got a detailed update for you that I will send before the end of today.

One quick question first. In our first conference call, it was mentioned that any people receiving services would need to be residents of San Luis Obispo County. I can't remember if that was a requirement for the hotel housing option, the "pop-up" testing sites, or both of those. Can someone please confirm what the rules would be regarding both the housing availability and the pop-up testing sites with regard to residency? That will have a significant impact on any of our efforts moving forward since many of our south county workers reside in SB County and a surprising number of our north county vineyard workers reside in Monterey County.

thanks
Marc

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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Sure thing. Go right ahead.

Thanks,
Whit

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Subject: Re: Brochure (For Review)

Whitney,

The brochure looks good to me. Is it OK to distribute via email to certain local growers and Farm Labor Contractors? I haven't had much success with the calls that I've made to people that I've worked with in the past. So I'm getting some of our staff to assist me in reaching out to all of our local FLC's with regard to the

need and demand for "pop-up" testing sites. It would be helpful if after we call them and ask a few questions, we could follow up with this brochure.

thanks,
Marc

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Subject: Brochure (For Review)

Here is the designed brochure - one in English and one in Spanish - for your review.

Any changes?

Thanks,
Whitney

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