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SANTA CRUZ COUNTY MOVES TO MODERATE (YELLOW) TRANSMISSION, INDOOR FACE COVERING MANDATE LIFTED

Masking still strongly recommended for indoor public spaces

Santa Cruz County, Calif. – Today, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), updated their COVID-19 Data Tracker to show that Santa Cruz County moved to Moderate (yellow) community transmission. Under the County's Face Covering Order, County face covering requirements are rescinded, effective immediately.

This does not impact face covering requirements issued by the State of California including for unvaccinated individuals, school districts, businesses, venues or organizations requiring face coverings by policy. Residents are asked to continue respecting these requirements by carrying a face covering with them at all times while in public. For more information see <https://covid19.ca.gov/masks-and-ppe/>.

Face coverings and vaccinations continue to be the best way to stop the spread of COVID-19 and protect yourself and loved ones from infection. It is strongly recommended that face coverings continue to be worn in all indoor spaces. For information of COVID-19 vaccinations and a list of vaccine providers including local pop-up clinics, visit www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirusvaccine.

For local information on COVID-19, go to <https://www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirus> or call (831) 454-4242 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.