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Due to the health concerns presented by the surge in novel coronavirus cases, hospitalizations and test positivity rates in Fresno County and the Regional Stay-at-Home Order announced by Governor Newsom, the Court will suspend civil and criminal jury trials until January 11, 2021 and will limit a number of other operations.

The Court took decisive action at the onset of the pandemic beginning March of this year, scaling back operations substantially, limiting the amount of people entering the buildings and making most, if not all, hearings available for parties to attend remotely via Zoom, in addition to a facial covering requirement and health screenings for anyone entering the buildings. Though some business will continue in this limited capacity during this period, a number of additional temporary measures will be put in place to impede further spreading of the virus.

On December 10, 2020 the Court issued an “Administrative Order Reducing Court Operations Due to COVID-19 Regional Stay-At-Home Order”, which imposes a number of temporary changes intended to reduce the flow of traffic into the courthouses, effective Monday, December 14, 2020. The order can be found on the home page of the Court’s website at www.fresno.courts.ca.gov.

The goal of the Fresno Superior Court throughout this unprecedented situation has been to protect the safety, health, and wellbeing of court customers, jurors and staff.

The Court will continue to monitor the situation and will make operational changes as needed.

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