



## PAUMA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS

### ***TRIBAL POLICE DEPARTMENT***

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## **EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR RESERVATION CLOSURE**

### **Phase 1**

One metal barricade is at the checkpoint. It is not blocking traffic entering or leaving the reservation. It is drawing the attention of tribal members and visitors because we are receiving many calls asking why it is there.

- Police Officers and Security Officers are equipped with sanitary gloves and N95 masks. They will be worn with any public contact until further notice.
- Visitors that appear ill are being turned away and not allowed on the reservation.
- Tribal members and visitors are being advised of heightened security measures. They are also being informed of a possible reservation closure.
- Fire Chief Hawk and I will continue to stay in contact to evaluate our current situation.
- Police vehicles will be placed in various public areas to show Police presence.
- Non-essential vendors will not be allowed access to the reservation. They will be allowed to make deliveries to the Security Checkpoint and can be distributed from there.

### **Phase 2**

Additional metal barricades will be added to the Security Checkpoint in a serpentine type formation to slow and control traffic entering and exiting the reservation.

- Anyone that appears ill will be denied access to the reservation.
- A metal barricade will be placed at the tribal admin parking lot. Only essential employees will be allowed on property.
- Guests and non-residents will be denied access, except for immediate family members such as parents and siblings.
- Police Officers will continue to park Police vehicles in open view to show Police presence.
- Reservation access points, gates, and roadways will be monitored by Police Officers to ensure the safety of the reservation and keep it secure.
- Special attention will be applied to tribal resources such as water tanks, wells, wastewater treatment, construction and maintenance equipment, administrative buildings, groves, Yuima tracks 1, 2, and 3, Ellis Ranch, and tribal farms.
- Police Officers will make every effort to monitor the metal barricades in place and assist Security Checkpoint Officers with incoming and outgoing traffic.
- Police Officers will keep in contact with casino security and supervisors to provide extra patrol as needed.
- Security Checkpoint Officers will provide tribal members with information to keep them updated of our directive as it is provided by the tribal council and administration.

### **Phase 3**

This would be a complete closure of the reservation. Metal barricades will close off the reservation at the Security Checkpoint.

- Police Officers, Fire personnel, and the Tribal Administrator will only be allowed onto the reservation, no exceptions.
- All non-essential people and employees will be denied access.
- Metal barricades and a Police vehicle will be present at the Security Checkpoint at all times.
- Police Officers will make it a priority to be present at the Security Checkpoint to keep the peace and explain the current situation to tribal members and the public.
- Police Officers and Fire personnel will monitor tribal elders and anyone on the reservation with special needs for accommodations.
- Police Officers will continue to monitor reservation roadways, gates, and access points as well as tribal resources.
- If anyone wishes to leave the reservation they will be allowed to do so. They will also be advised that they will not be able to return until further notice, no exceptions.
- The Security Checkpoint will continue to accept deliveries to tribal members, administration, and residents. We will also be available to assist in distribution.

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