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Delta, Colorado, March 23 2020 – Delta County Signs Local Disaster Emergency Declaration

Delta, CO – Delta County Commissioners are declaring an Emergency Disaster effective immediately, based on the information coming from the State level, on the suspected trajectory of the COVID-19 Coronavirus.

“Delta County has been working as if we had already declared an Emergency for the past 10 days; we opened our Emergency Operations Center (EOC) early last week, and have taken the necessary steps to get the right people, processes, and protocols in place for when Delta County receives their first confirmed case of COVID-19,” said Delta County Commissioner Chair Mark Roeber.

Opening the EOC has allowed Delta County to monitor and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic with a unified command structure, which includes and is being led by Delta County Administration, Delta County Health Department, and Delta County Memorial Hospital.

By declaring a Local Disaster Emergency Declaration, Delta County further protects public health and safety, and further protects the local economy.

If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, please contact your primary care provider by phone first. Additionally, Delta County has opened a call center to direct you to resources at that time; calls will be answered from 8am to 6pm Monday through Saturday and can be reached at 970-874-2172. For calls outside of that time frame, please reach out to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment for general questions regarding COVID-19 at 303-389-1687 or 1-877-462-2911, for answers in many languages, or email them at COHELP@RMPDC.org for answers in English.

Please remember, 911 should be used for medical emergencies only. For updates on COVID-19, please visit www.deltacounty.com/COVID-19 or <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/2019-novel-coronavirus>.