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Public Service Announcement

Effective March 26, 2020

City of Nome Emergency Order 2020-01 designates Nome Airport and City Field as Essential Air Travel Districts during the COVID-19 pandemic. This means only travelers tasked with providing critical infrastructure for Nome may fly in and out of the airports

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All travelers who wish to leave or enter Nome via the airports must complete an Essential Air Travel Services Use Permit available on the City of Nome website (www.nomealaska.org). We realize medical treatments or emergencies may necessitate air travel out of Nome. If you must leave and return, you need to isolate yourself for 14 days at home to reduce the risk of infecting your fellow community members.

This order does not apply to cargo planes coming in and out of Nome. The supply chain is intact and cargo planes will continue to deliver goods to Nome as normal. This order does not apply to snowmachines who may be traveling into Nome from the villages but these travelers must also follow City of Nome emergency protocols upon entering our community.

All of us can make a difference in protecting our family, friends, and Elders from the COVID-19 virus. Please carefully consider whether air travel is worth the risk of potentially infecting yourself and those around you. Thank you for working with us to help keep our community safe and strong.

If you have any questions, please contact City Manager Glenn Steckman at 443-6600.

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