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Statewide “Shelter In Place” order replaces Yuba-Sutter directive

California Governor Gavin Newsom announced a “Shelter In Place” statewide order Thursday evening that effectively replaced the Yuba-Sutter “directive” just hours before it went into effect.

Under the order, “all individuals living in the State of California (are) to stay home or at their place of residence, except as needed to follow the federal critical infrastructure sectors.”

The statewide order, which went into effect immediately, is a mandate that is enforceable. Businesses that must close include restaurants (except for takeout or delivery orders), bars/nightclubs, entertainment venues, gyms/fitness studios, public events and gatherings, and convention centers.

“Our Yuba-Sutter community needs to take in this information calmly, as our residents were already prepared to be in their homes to reduce the chance of exposure to the coronavirus,” said Yuba-Sutter Health Officer Dr. Phuong Luu. “This is NOT martial law, and nothing has to change overnight. The state’s order has the same guidelines that were in the Yuba-Sutter directive, so you’re all prepared to stay home as much as possible, except for essential activities, to help slow the spread of COVID-19.”

Luu emphasized residents will still be able to take walks, play with their children in the yard, and make necessary trips to grocery stores, banks, gas stations, pharmacies, and laundromats. Residents can also keep appointments with their doctors.

The state established a website to outline the Shelter In Place order and list essential services. It can be found at: covid19.ca.gov

For more information and resources, check BePreparedYuba.org and BePreparedSutter.org.

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