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Situation Report Week of Jan. 19 – Jan. 25

To: Nooksack Tribe Community Members

From: Nooksack Pandemic Response Team, Tribal Government & Emergency Management

Subject: Situational Report

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Nooksack Tribe's Notable COVID-19 Response Accomplishments Jan. 19 – Jan. 25

- The new COVID strain from the UK has been identified in two different counties on the west side of the state from samples taken last week. It will likely spread quickly, as it is about 50% more infectious, and will be a significant barrier to controlling the pandemic. Please adhere to the Tribal Council's Shelter in Place Order.
- East County, Lynden, and Ferndale are seeing a significant rise in COVID-19 cases.
- The Nooksack Clinic has been vaccinating up to 60 eligible patients a day, according to the Tribal Council's COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation Plan. Nooksack is currently in Phase 1 and Phase 1B serving our most vulnerable Tribal members first, based on the number of vaccines available from Indian Health Services. Please be patient as the Tribe waits to receive all the needed vaccines to protect the community.
- Accepting applications for Nooksack's Vaccine Trial Community Outreach Coordinator position. To learn more and apply, visit the Tribe's Human Resources webpage.
- The Nooksack Health Clinic is short-staffed and looking to hire a temporary nurse position. To learn more and apply, visit the Tribe's Human Resources webpage.
- The Novavax Vaccine Trial will stop enrolling new participants around February 8th. Tribal members 20 – 50 years old are encouraged to join Nooksack Vaccine Trial. Younger people may not get offered immunizations with the mRNA vaccines for several months. Native people are 3.5 times more likely to become infected and 1.8 times more likely to die if they get infected over all age groups. Information about participating in the vaccine trial can be found on our website. To enroll call 360-312-2268.