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SEVEN FEATHERS CASINO RESORT WILL TEMPORARILY CLOSE AT NOON TODAY

As a result of the Tribal Board Declaration of Emergency, the Seven Feathers Casino Resort will close all operations for two weeks in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(Roseburg, Oregon)— Yesterday, the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians Board of Directors held an emergency session and voted unanimously to declare a state of emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board also directed for the casino management to begin implementing plans to temporarily suspend all operations at the Seven Feathers Casino Resort in Canyonville.

The Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians is one of nine federally recognized Indian Tribal Governments in the State of Oregon. This direction from the Board is consistent with national and state guidance to reduce large gatherings as part of all efforts to curve the trend of transmission of COVID-19 during this global pandemic.

“This pandemic is a national public health crisis that requires all of us to unify across all levels of government to protect the health and well being of our Tribes and communities,” Dan Courtney, Cow Creek Tribal Chairman said. “While we are a sovereign entity governed by our own laws, we are committed to this community and doing our part to help contain this virus so that we don’t experience the same loss we are witnessing in other parts of the world.”

The restaurants on Tribal property were closed this morning and the casino resort will be closed by 12:00 pm today, March 17, 2020 for two weeks.

The Tribe will provide emergency paid leave and benefits for casino resort employees during this temporary closure, and will continue to monitor the situation nationally and locally.

Updates on casino operations will be posted on the website as new information becomes available.