

FALL RIVER & OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY TREASURER

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March 26, 2020

RE: Face to Face Interaction between Staff and Public

Dear Commissioners,

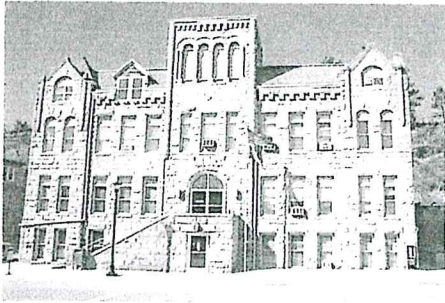
Thank You for taking the time to meet with us about our concerns with the face to face contact we have with the public.

I feel very passionate about doing what I can to keep my customers, staff and family safe from the Global pandemic that we are living with. I would like to explain my part in it and let you know from a Treasurers Office what we can do to keep people safe.

The State DMV is still closed, meaning if we have any issues with the State DMV system, we may not get immediate assistance or if there is a problem with the customers record, they will have to come in at a later time to get it fixed. The State of South Dakota understands the inconvenience of this and have extended the renewals and title transfer deadlines until May 1, 2020 knowing that at the county level there are some delays and encouraging customers to not have to come into the county offices to handle their business. The Oglala Lakota Sioux Tribe has a Travel ban in place and will fine its residents for going anywhere but essential places.

Just a few examples of what we currently have in place for my office; we are sanitizing EVERYTHING all the time. We keep our front door closed from easy entrance from other departments, we choose to call or email instead of walking over and having that interaction with other departments. We wash our hands on a regular basis. We encourage customers to call in or mail in their business so they do not have to come in and stand in line with other customers. We have public notices posted on the doors, websites, radio stations and Facebook pages.

This still doesn't stop the public from coming into the office and having unnecessary face to face contact and they will continue to do so as long as the window or doors are open. I am at the point where face to face contact needs to stop. We have an obligation to keep customers, employees and their families safe. This is too scary of a thing to play around with. The end of the month is generally the busiest time for my office and I regret that I haven't been more proactive in getting the face to face option shut down sooner. Just having that option available still brings the people in.



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It is important that you understand that by shutting my windows and not letting the public have that option, we can still function 100%. It's not costing the county any money to shut my window, it's only protecting ourselves and others and encouraging people to follow the guidelines, recommendations and closures set fourth by the Tribe, CDC and Governor.

Attached I have a map for you. I have been in contact with every Treasurer's Office in the state and I have pointed out some good information you need to know. The counties in yellow are the counties that have shut down access to the public having face to face contact by either shutting down the individuals department or locking the court house doors all together. The green counties are the counties that are still open with restrictions; like we are currently in. You will also notice that there are meeting dates on some of those counties where they will be meeting and more than likely going from green on my map to yellow.

I am just asking that you understand the necessity of this to keep your employees safe and understand that we can still operate at full capacity by shutting down the face to face contact for a bit. Again, I am very passionate about this decision and all I'm trying to do is the right thing. I live with a high risk child and I am taking this very seriously and will do anything I can to not bring this home to him. This decision can make a world of difference.

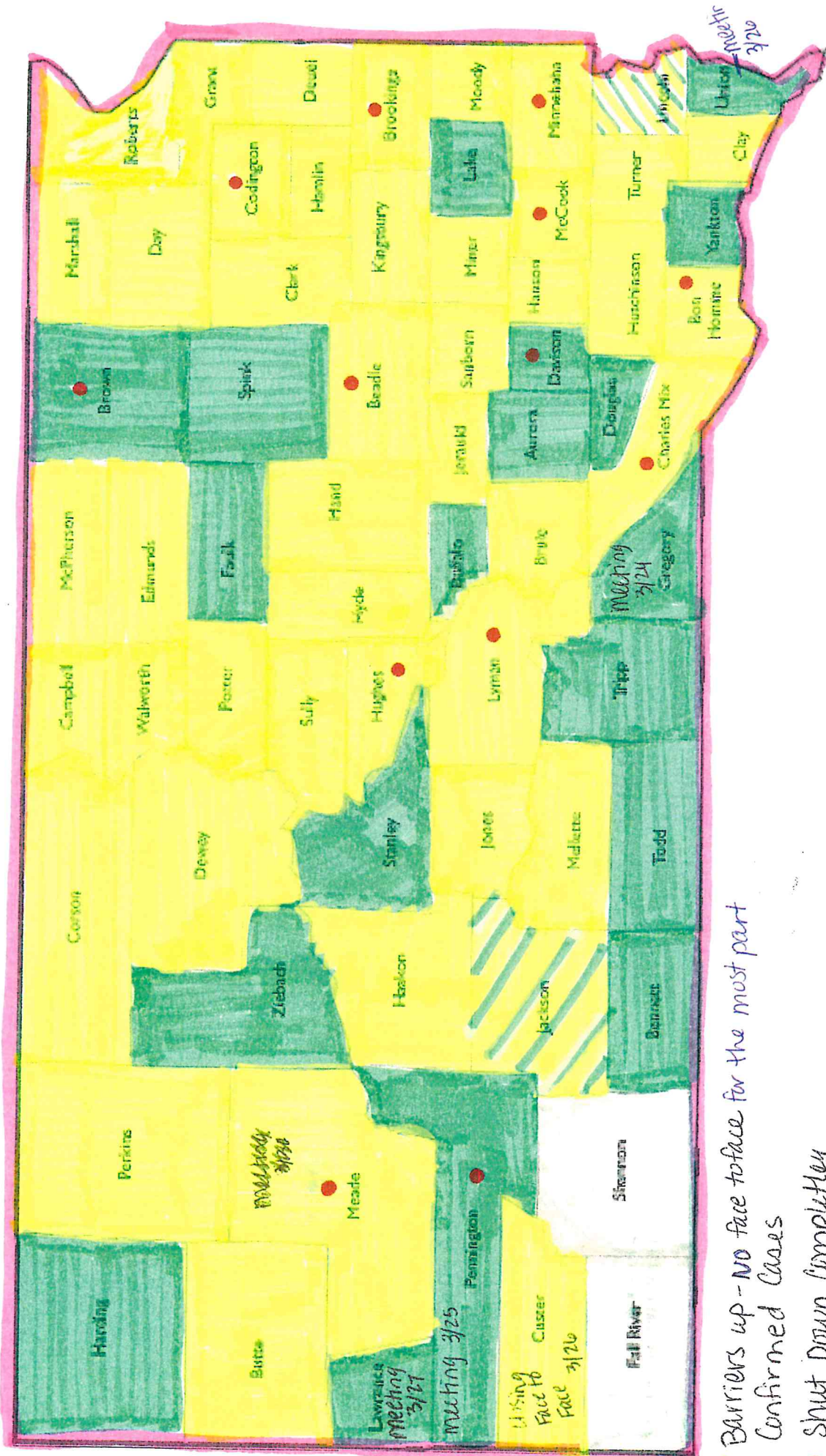
Thank You,

Kelli Rhoe
Fall River/Oglala Lakota County Treasurer

Treasurers offices

AS of 11:00

3/25/20



- Barriers up - NO face to face for the most part
- Confirmed Cases
- Shut Down Completely
- Shut Down to public - still working in office - Locked Courthouse Doors
- Open, with some restrictions
- State DMV Shut Down - Extended Pennington till Minn 1

SD Dept of Health - Coronavirus

3-27-20

Fall River Commission Special Meeting

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Covid-19 Emergency

Items to consider:

Closing county facilities to the public (employees working, making appointments as needed with the public). Business will continue by phone, email, mail, etc

Employee's to self-quarantine for fourteen (14) days if they have traveled out of state, before returning to work

Any persons who will be meeting with any county employee face to face will be screened (screening log plus temperature) prior to coming into the courthouse

Additional card keys to employees

Lockbox located outside of dispatch

Telephonic Commission meetings with the ability for the public to participate remotely

Remote working by employees – possible limited employees in office - forwarding phone calls

UJS has certain conditions set, with very limited activities in the courthouse

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2020-9

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO ADDRESS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS BY IMPLEMENTING CERTAIN MEASURES WHICH HAVE BEEN DEEMED NECESSARY TO SLOW THE COMMUNITY SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, the Fall River County Commission has the authority to pass Resolutions, per SDCL§7-8-20 (10), for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals and general welfare, of the community and the promotion of health and the suppression of disease; and

WHEREAS, an outbreak of the disease COVID-19, which is caused by the novel coronavirus, has been confirmed in more than 100 countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a severe respiratory disease transmitted by person-to-person contact, or by contact with surfaces contaminated by the virus. In some cases, especially among older adults and persons with serious underlying health conditions, COVID-19 can result in serious illness requiring hospitalization, admission to an intensive care unit, and death; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have declared the outbreak of COVID-19 as a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency in response to the global pandemic of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on the same day, Governor Kristi Noem, issued Executive Order 2020-04 which declared a state of emergency to exist in the State of South Dakota in response to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, a case of COVID-19 has been confirmed in Western South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the CDC and health experts have recommended social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

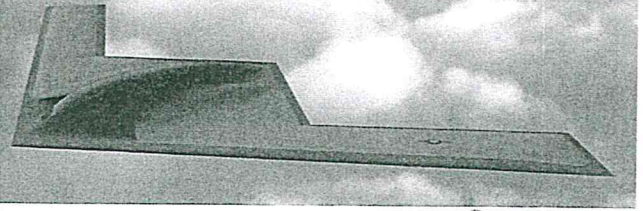
WHEREAS, social distancing is a method of slowing down or stopping the spread of a contagious disease by reducing the probability of contact between infected persons and those not infected in order to minimize disease transmission; and

WHEREAS, in response to the need to implement social distancing all schools in the state have been closed for at least two weeks; and

WHEREAS, on March 16th, 2020, the White House issued guidance recommending that social gatherings of more than ten people be avoided and

B-21 Main Operating Base 1 Beddown

at Dyess AFB, Texas, or
Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota



ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT



Public Scoping Materials Available

The Department of Defense is developing a new bomber aircraft, the B-21 "Raider," which will eventually replace existing B-1 and B-2 bomber aircraft. The Air Force eventually intends to procure at least 100 B-21 aircraft as part of three basing decisions, Main Operating Base (MOB) 1, MOB 2 and MOB 3.

The Air Force is preparing this Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate the potential beddown impacts of MOB 1 at Dyess Air Force Base, Texas or Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota. MOB 2 and MOB 3 beddowns will be evaluated as part of a separate decision-making process in the future, following MOB 1.

The MOB 1 beddown will involve new facilities construction, B-21 flight operations and increases in personnel needed to support the mission.

As a direct result of the National Emergency declared by the President on Friday, March 13, 2020, in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic in the U.S. and the Center for Disease Control's recommendations for social distancing and avoiding large public gatherings, the Air Force has canceled the six previously scheduled scoping meetings from March 31, 2020 to April 9, 2020 listed in the original notice of intent published on March 6, 2020 (Federal Register, Vol. 85., No. 45, 13148). All public scoping meeting materials will be available on the project website: www.B21EIS.com no later than March 31, 2020. For those without access to the website, a request may be made to mail a hardcopy package of scoping materials. This request may be submitted to Ellsworth and Dyess Public Affairs offices at the points of contact listed below.

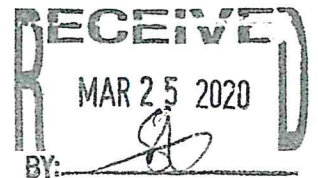
Inquiries should be directed to:

Dyess AFB Public Affairs, (325) 696-4820, or after hours (325) 268-6554
Ellsworth AFB Public Affairs, (605) 385-5056, or after hours at (605) 391-7436

Written scoping comments can be mailed to:

Leidos
ATTN: B-21 EIS
1456 Woodlawn Way
Gulf Breeze, FL 32563

Electronic scoping comments can be submitted on the public website at www.B21EIS.com.



Preliminary additional information about the purpose and need for the Proposed Action, a description of the Proposed Action and various alternatives being considered, and a brief summary of expected impacts is available in the Supplementary Information section of the original notice of intent referenced above. That notice is available at:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/03/06/2020-04593/notice-of-intent-to-prepare-an-environmental-impact-statement-for-the-b-21-main-operating-base-1-mob>

For those who do not have ready access to a computer or the internet, a copy of the original notice of intent referenced above will be made available by mail upon request to the contacts for either Dyess or Ellsworth Public Affairs offices listed above. An Amended Notice of Intent cancelling the six previously scheduled meetings will be published soon in the Federal Register and, after it is published, will also be posted to the project website listed above and made available by mail for those who do not have ready computer or internet access upon request to the contacts listed above.

Written scoping comments will be accepted at any time during the environmental impact analysis process up until the public release of the Draft EIS. However, to ensure the Air Force has sufficient time to consider public input in the preparation of the Draft EIS, **scoping comments should be submitted no later than May 9, 2020.**

The scoping process will be used to involve the public early in the planning and development of the EIS to help identify issues to be addressed in the environmental analysis. To effectively define the full range of issues and concerns to be evaluated in the EIS, the Air Force is soliciting scoping comments from interested local, state, and federal agencies, Native American tribes, and interested members of the public.