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## **State and County Shelter in Place Orders Still in Effect As City Outdoor Facilities Reopen**

**SANTA CRUZ** —As the Santa Cruz County temporary park/beach closure is slated to expire on April 15 at 11:59 p.m., the public is reminded that State and County Shelter-In-Place and Social Distancing Orders remain in effect and will continue to be enforced in the City of Santa Cruz.

While outdoor exercise is considered an essential activity, it should be done close to home. Residents are advised to use outdoor City facilities within their neighborhoods. Travelling to a destination for exercise continues to be considered non-essential.

With the exception of the areas listed below, all parks, beaches, open spaces, multi-use trails and the Santa Cruz Wharf will reopen. All park and Beach Street restrooms will reopen to normal hours.

The following closures will continue as they were before the County's temporary order as follows:

- Basketball courts, athletic fields, skate parks, DeLaveaga Golf Course, DeLaveaga Disc Golf Course, archery, lawn bowling, and playgrounds will remain closed.
- Beach volleyball courts on Main Beach will remain closed.
- Santa Cruz Wharf restrooms will remain closed.
- West Cliff parking lots, East Cliff parking areas, and parking along Swanton Drive near Natural Bridges State Beach will remain closed.
- The Depot Park parking lot and Sanctuary Exploration Center parking lot will remain closed.
- Park facilities including swimming pools will remain closed.

The City of Santa Cruz will monitor situations and may initiate additional closures if the shelter-in-place orders are not followed.

Six feet of physical distancing and mouth coverings continue to be recommended to keep the community safe from the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus. The City of Santa Cruz advises observance of all [CDC guidelines](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/guidelines.html) in this effort.

More information on the City's Parks and Recreation Department's response to COVID-19 is available online at: [cityofsantacruz.com/parks-recreation/covid-19](http://cityofsantacruz.com/parks-recreation/covid-19).

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