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## COUNCIL CAMP CLOSURE EXTENDED THROUGH THE END OF JULY

Due to recent COVID-19 related events in Riverside County, Summer Resident Camp and Family Camp programs at Camp Emerson will not be permitted this year.

The safety of all our Scouts, Leaders, and Camp Staff are always our top priority. The California Inland Empire Council has extended the closure of all camping at Camp Emerson through the end of July due to the COVID-19 virus outbreak.

We encourage everyone with camping reservations to rebook with us again for next Summer. If you have prepaid for a camp, please email <u>jessica.parker@scouting.org</u> to request that your funds be transferred to next Summer or to receive a refund.

As you might imagine, the lack of camp operations this summer will have a significant negative impact on our total program support of youth in the Inland Empire. We remain hopeful that the COVID-19 virus will subside in time for us to conduct our fall camp programs at Camp Emerson. In the meantime, we will continue to focus our efforts on camp maintenance and prepare for future programs.

We remain committed to follow all local, county and state ordered restrictions. In support of the state restrictions and the "stay at home order" <u>Scouting units are not permitted to meet in person</u>.

Please stay safe as we come together to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to Camp Emerson as soon as the current restrictions are lifted and we are allowed to operate again.

Yours in Scouting,

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