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## **Yolo County Stays in the Red Tier; Residents Urged to Follow Health Measures**

**(Woodland, CA)** – On November 10, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) announced that Yolo County is allowed to stay in the substantial, or red, tier after avoiding the metric threshold for the purple tier. Though Yolo County remains in the red tier for now, CDPH will evaluate county metrics again next week and the possibility of metrics falling in the most restrictive widespread, or purple, tier remains as the number of new cases each day reported in Yolo County grows. Residents must remain vigilant in following the preventive measures for reducing the spread of COVID-19.

Yolo County was notified on November 4 by CDPH that the County initially reached the metrics for the purple tier for one week; a second consecutive week meeting these metrics would have moved Yolo County into the purple tier on November 10, impacting local businesses and the community. Positive COVID-19 rates are still trending upward in Yolo County, regionally and nationwide, and the County must improve their COVID-19 case and positivity rates to remain in the red tier.

“While we are not moving into the purple tier this week, we are seeing an uptick in the number of cases reported each day. Staying in red does not mean we can let down our guard,” said Yolo County Public Health Officer Dr. Aimee Sisson. “To protect our community, residents need to continue to wear masks, keep their distance, wash their hands and only gather outdoors in small groups with distancing and masks.”

Though Yolo County has cleared this initial hurdle, the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact future metrics and the public’s health, which are directly tied to the community’s behavior. All residents and businesses must stay vigilant in keeping themselves and their communities healthy and are urged to follow these practices:

- Do not gather. If you gather, organize small, short, outdoor gatherings with no more than three households and 16 people for two hours or less
- Stay home if you have symptoms of illness or are at high-risk
- Wear a face covering
- Maintain at least six feet of physical distance from those not in your household
- Wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer regularly

For additional information about the State’s Blueprint for a Safer Economy, visit: <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy>. To learn about Yolo County’s Roadmap to Recovery visit: [www.yolocounty.org/coronavirus-roadmap](http://www.yolocounty.org/coronavirus-roadmap). Residents can call Yolo 2-1-1 for resource information. Follow Yolo County on Facebook at: [www.facebook.com/YoloCounty](http://www.facebook.com/YoloCounty) or Twitter at: <https://twitter.com/YoloCountyCA>.

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