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UPDATED PROTOCOL FOR COVID-19 CASES DUE TO COMMUNITY SPREAD

Skagway, Alaska, March 10, 2021 – Skagway's Protocol for COVID-19 Cases has been updated. The update separates Community Spread cases into "Isolated Cases" which do not require sheltering in place, and "Uncontained Cases," which require sheltering in place.

Following is a summary of changes in Section C:

- "Isolated Cases" are defined as cases caused by community spread that do not constrain the ability of officials to conduct contact tracing.
- Isolated cases are cases for which there is high confidence that the community spread will be contained quickly.
- Recommends closure of any facility open to the public that might have close contact with the known case until it can be sanitized for reopening.
- No shelter-in-place required.

Following is a summary of changes in Section D:

- "Uncontained Cases" are defined as cases caused by community spread that are overwhelming the ability of officials to trace and quarantine the contacts of the known case.
- Shelter-in-place will be implemented for a duration to be determined by the EOC, to allow adequate time for contact tracing.

Please see the full protocol document online at www.skagway.org/COVID19.