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CELEBRATE FALL TRADITIONS SAFELY

Fall is in the air, and the Shasta County Health and Human Services Agency is working closely with Hawes Farm and Nash Ranch to ensure that they can safely provide some of their fun harvest season activities.

Festivals are not allowed under current state guidance, but Hawes Farm and Nash Ranch both fall into the category of Family Entertainment Farms, which would follow the guidance for outdoor recreation and family entertainment.

Pumpkin patches, corn mazes, outdoor haunts, zip lines, drive-in movies, food at concession stands, viewing farm animals and pumpkin sales are allowed at these Family Entertainment Farms. Some modifications are required; for instance, corn mazes must have separate entrances and exits, as well as markers for families to physically distance from each other.

Festivals, dances, live performances, paintball, petting zoos and pony rides are among the activities that cannot be allowed at this time. Plans may need to be adjusted further if the state provides additional clarification for Family Entertainment Farms.

Door-to-door trick-or-treating is *not recommended*, but if you choose to do so, there are a variety of ways to reduce risk, including wearing face coverings, going out with your household only, and putting your candy bucket by the front door and stepping back six feet. You can find more tips at ShastaReady.org – click on “Roadmap to Recovery” and select “Local guidance,” or click [here](#).