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PUBLIC URGED TO AVOID WATERWORKS PARK

SHASTA COUNTY – Despite repeated direction to not open, WaterWorks Park opened June 5 and continues to operate in direct violation of state industry guidance. That guidance states that water parks with slides, rides or other water attractions are not to open due to concerns about spreading the COVID-19 virus. Each day the park is open, large numbers of unrelated people, some from outside the area, gather in the park without social distancing or face coverings.

In a letter dated July 10, the Incident Commander for the COVID-19 Emergency Operations Center and the Shasta County Health Officer directed WaterWorks Park to close and to remain closed until state guidance allows the operation of water parks. The letter also stated that should the management choose to continue to operate the facility outside of allowed state industry guidance, further action may be considered.

On July 15, the owner of WaterWorks Park released a letter announcing the park would not close until August 3. On July 22, the Shasta County Environmental Health Division notified WaterWorks Park that its public pool permit will be summarily revoked on July 27 due to its continued operation in violation of state industry guidance, being an immediate threat to public health and safety.

The public is advised to not use WaterWorks Park pool facilities at this time.

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