



California Casino News

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California Gaming Association urges Governor Newsom to order all casinos, including on tribal land, to close temporarily

Thunder Valley Casino has been under fire in recent days from both current and former workers who say the resort is not doing enough to keep employees and guests safe after reopening in June amid the coronavirus pandemic. A number employees who ABC10 spoke with sought to remain anonymous out of fear of losing their jobs, and one other spoke after quitting her job of 13 years.

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Businesses on tribal lands operating while other California businesses close

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The California Gaming Association is reaching out to Governor Newsom, saying he's applying his policies unfairly. The Governor ordered indoor seating at restaurants to shut back down, and casinos, card rooms and bars in 30 California Counties have been forced close. That's unless those businesses happen to fall on tribal land, which the state doesn't control in the same way.

Soboba Casino Resort goes smoke-free due to coronavirus

Soboba Casino Resort near San Jacinto announced that it was going totally smoke-free during the coronavirus pandemic, according to social media posts on Thursday, July 16. The change will start 6 a.m. Friday, July 17, according to the casino. Previously, the casino said that smoking was limited to designated areas. Now, smoking will not be allowed indoors.

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