



California Casino News

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As other casinos reopen, here's why Augustine Casino remains closed

While many tribal-owned casinos across Southern California have flipped on their slot machines and opened the doors to customers, Augustine Casino is taking a wait-and-see approach.

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Tribal Association Concerned Over Sports Betting Bill in CA

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Following a recently updated bill for the legalization of sports betting in California, a concern was raised by the tribal association in the state.

Bay Area casinos pump the brakes on reopening – for now

The Bay Area's tribal casinos aren't ready to reopen quite yet, even as restrictions to combat the spread of coronavirus relax and casinos elsewhere in California and Nevada are welcoming back gamblers. San Pablo Lytton Casino, Graton Resort & Casino just outside Rohnert Park and River Rock Casino near Geyserville – the region's three tribal casinos – have held off in announcing when they'll unlock the doors and turn on the slot machines.

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Asserting Sovereignty, Indian Casinos Defy California's Governor and Reopen

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It was a high-stakes gamble: a chance to win big at the slot machines but risk getting infected with the coronavirus. Braving a cold drizzle last week, hundreds placed their bet, lining up for hours in front of the Viejas Casino and Resort, a glass-and-stone Indian casino east of San Diego that was reopening despite pleas from California's governor, Gavin Newsom.

Casino Insider: Some casinos have reopened, here's what it's like now

A number of Southern California's tribal casinos have reopened at this point, and things look a lot different than the pre-COVID times. We're going to give you a glimpse of what that looks like in this week's newsletter, but first, we have another poll for you.

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California lawmakers propose allowing legal sports betting to help with budget shortfall

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Two California lawmakers on Thursday pitched legalized sports betting as a way to help prop up a state budget devastated by the economic shutdown designed to slow the spread of the coronavirus, though their revised proposal immediately reignited a turf battle between powerful gambling interests.