How Southern California casinos are responding to coronavirus

In the Inland Empire and the Coachella Valley, Southern California's casinos are social hubs; they're the places that people go to see shows, eat meals, gamble and have fun. And right up there with festival venues and sports stadiums, they're the kinds of places that can host thousands of people.

National Indian Gaming Association Officially Announces the Postponement of the 2020 Indian Gaming Tradeshow and Convention in San Diego, California

The National Indian Gaming Association Board of Directors and Chairman Ernie Stevens Jr., are officially announcing today that the Association will be postponing the 2020 Indian Gaming Tradeshow and Convention in San Diego scheduled on March 24–27. At an emergency meeting today of the Board of Directors, the National Indian Gaming Association voted unanimously to postpone the event.

The decision to postpone the annual gaming convention comes after, among other developments, California Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Order addressing California's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The NIGA Board of Directors was also driven by the overwhelming critical safety concerns voiced by many tribal governments and the gaming industry.

National Indian Gaming Association Chairman, Ernie Stevens, Jr., stated: "The health and safety of our tribal gaming attendees are of paramount concern and postponing the Indian Gaming Tradeshow, for now, is the safest course of action. Our Board of Directors and Association staff will work diligently on the best path forward for all impacted attendees in light of this postponement."

Governor Newsom's Executive Order announcement can be found at https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/03/12/governor-newsom-issues-new-executive-o...

The National Indian Gaming Association will provide updates as they become available regarding the next steps after postponement.

California Public Health Experts: Mass Gatherings Should be Postponed or Canceled Statewide to Slow the Spread of COVID-19

Governor Gavin Newsom announced that California public health officials this evening issued an updated policy on gatherings to protect public health and slow the spread of COVID-19. The state’s public health experts have determined that gatherings should be postponed or canceled across the state until at least the end of March. Non-essential gatherings must be limited to no more than 250 people, while smaller events can proceed only if the organizers can implement social distancing of 6 feet per person.

Trinidad Rancheria: Hotel Could Open Next Summer

If all goes as it hopes, the Trinidad Rancheria could have its hotel overlooking Trinidad Bay open in the summer of 2021, says Executive Director Jacque Hostler-Carmesin. The Rancheria's controversial proposal to build a five-story hotel on its property off Scenic Drive south of Trinidad took a major step forward recently when the Bureau of Indian Affairs found the 100-room hotel would have no significant impact on the surrounding environment...