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## COVID 19

**TEXAS** - Absent a statewide order to shelter in place in Texas, we recognize that there is a possibility of inconsistency across county lines. We have expressed this concern to local and state officials in Texas. We are working with local officials, and, in particular, the Office of the Governor to ensure that there is consistency for operators of critical infrastructure, including upstream, midstream, and downstream assets to continue on-site or remote attendance by your employees for the health, safety, and welfare of the public, and the environment.

**NEW MEXICO** - Yesterday (March 23, 2020), New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham issued a stay at home order for non-essential workers in the state. The PBPA has had conversations with the Governor's office and we have been given assurances that she considers oil and gas industry operations to be essential businesses in the state. The Governor knows you and your employees may conduct activities in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of people and the environment. No additional signage or recognition is necessary at this time. We'll let you know if any changes to this policy occur.

**PBPA** - We have created a page on the PBPA website ([www.pbpa.info/resources/covid-19-information](http://www.pbpa.info/resources/covid-19-information)) for updates regarding the COVID 19 pandemic. This page includes updates from Federal, State, and Local governments impacting the Permian Basin, as well as resources for businesses, those with children in school, or those needing services, such as food delivery. We hope to provide information you might be looking for in preparation and mitigation of the COVID 19 pandemic all in one place. If you have any questions, please let us know.

As was mentioned previously, PBPA has been contacted by a nurse with the State Veterans' Home in Big Spring. The Veterans' Home is in need of some donated

PPE supplies in preparation and in response to the COVID 19 pandemic. The State Veterans' Home is in need of N-95 Respirator Masks primarily, but also is looking for donations of medical gloves and protective goggles if anyone has them available.

You all have your own battles to fight right now, but any support here would be greatly appreciated. If you have supplies you can donate, please let Stephen Robertson ([stephen@pbpa.info](mailto:stephen@pbpa.info)) know and we'll make sure to help get them where they can make a difference.

## **PBPA Updates**

### **PBPA and the Media**

During the last several weeks, PBPA staff has not only been communicating and working with state and local officials regarding the COVID 19 pandemic and drop in oil prices, but we've been working with the media in efforts to answer questions and provide perspective on how the pandemic is impacting the oil and gas industry and the Permian Basin. One example of such engagement ran this past weekend in the [Midland Reporter Telegram](#).

### **TCEQ Flyovers**

As had been reported previously, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) was conducting flyovers in the Permian Basin for emissions monitoring purposes. We have been informed that those flyovers have been completed.

## **PBPA Events**

### **Upcoming PBPA Committee Meetings**

Texas Legislative Committee Meeting - March 24, 2020 in Midland, Texas.  
Contact [Stephen@pbpa.info](mailto:Stephen@pbpa.info) with any questions.



### March Membership Luncheon

Please join us for the PBPA March Membership Luncheon on Thursday, March 19, 2020. We're excited to announce that our guest speaker will be the City of Midland Mayor Patrick Payton. Come learn about Mayor Payton's plans for the city, his view of Midland's role in the Permian Basin, and his ideas for an Energy Mayor's summit.

To register please [click here](#).



In March, we had planned to host a membership luncheon with guest speaker City of Midland Mayor Patrick Payton. However, in compliance with social distancing recommendations from the CDC, States of Texas and New Mexico, as well as the City of Midland, we are postponing all PBPA membership events until the subsidence of the COVID 19 pandemic. Please reach out to Caci Koegel at [caci@pbpa.info](mailto:caci@pbpa.info) regarding refunds. All those not requesting refunds will be given credit towards future PBPA events.



PBPA's annual Spring Swing Golf Tournament, originally scheduled for April 6, 2020, has also been postponed.

Depending on the length of CDC recommendations and Federal, State and Local orders, the tournament could be rescheduled for later this year, but it is also possible the tournament won't be held again until 2021. Thank you to everyone who had already supported or registered for this year's tournament.

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