NOTICE

TO: Monterey County Growers/Shippers/Cooling Facilities
FROM: Henry S. Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner
DATE: March 25, 2020
SUBJECT: Office Operations During Shelter-in-Place Order

Following the most recent guidance from the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors for the COVID-19 “Shelter-in-Place” Emergency Order issued by our Health Officer on March 17, 2020, the Agricultural Commissioner’s Office is following protocols for the health and safety of our employees and community.

As part of the essential infrastructure to the food system, the Monterey County Agricultural Commissioner’s Office’s will remain open to provide critical services to facilitate agricultural production, processing and distribution. However, as a preventative measure and to follow protocols as established by the Monterey County Public Health Officer, we are asking that you contact/connect with our staff via email, phone, fax and/or make an appointment.

You can also visit our website at https://www.co.monterey.ca.us/government/departments-a-h/agricultural-commissioner#ag for the latest news information, documents and/or forms. We strive to have forms/documents accessible to you 24/7. You can follow us on Facebook too.

Here is a comprehensive list of phone numbers and emails should you need our services.

General information: 831-759-7325 or Agcomm@co.monterey.ca.us

Salinas Main Office: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.)

Weights and Measures: 831-759-7382 or MCWM@co.monterey.ca.us

Quarantine and Exclusion: 831-759-7370 or 281-QuarantineHelp@co.monterey.ca.us

Pesticide Use & Enforcement: 831-759-7340 or at 281-Pue-Workstation@co.monterey.ca.us

South County Office: 831-385-5266 Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Coastal District Offices:
· Pajaro Office: 831-784-5900; Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.)
· Marina Office: 831-883-7526 (hours by appointment only)

Other Department Divisions
· Certified Farmers Markets: 831-759-7391 or HuntingGB@co.monterey.ca.us
· Organic Certification Program: 831-883-7526 or CarltonN@co.monterey.ca.us