# **Governor Announces Timeline for Lifting COVID Restrictions**

Today, Gov. Brown <u>announced</u> she will reopen the state - lifting most COVID restrictions - no later than June 30.

If the state reaches her previously set goal of 70% of Oregonians 18+ vaccinated before then, the state will reopen at that time. This means no statewide mask mandate or capacity limits for businesses.

Oregon will be "effectively 100% open for business," the governor said.

The governor signed the new executive order today lifting COVID restrictions upon the date we reach 70%, or June 30, whichever comes first. We expect Oregon OSHA to operate on the same timeline as the governor, and will remove restrictions no later than June 30.

Healthcare organizations, public transportation and other facilities will be required maintain certain restrictions, in line with guidance from the CDC.

# **Addressing Refusal to Work and No Shows**

Workforce shortage is a serious challenge nearly all of our local businesses are still experiencing. In case you are not aware, employers do have rights to report "no shows" and refusals of suitable work for job offers, to the Oregon Employment Department. Learn more:

- Employers Reporting Fraud
- Employer Reported Job Refusal Form
- OED Temporary Rules for Unemployment Insurance Benefits Flexibility

## Wildfire Preparedness Resources from the USCC

As we approach what will likely be one of the hottest weekends on record in the Oregon in an already warmer than usual summer, we want to share wildfire preparedness resources available from the U.S. Chamber Foundation. This information includes a number of things that you can do now in order to be prepared for what could be another difficult wildfire season. See below for more information.

- Disaster Help Desk for Business: Available 24/7 at 1-888-692-4943
- <u>Resilience in a Box:</u> Features a toolbox of resources to educate newcomers on disaster preparedness and business resilience.
- <u>Disaster Recovery Quick Guides:</u> Has tailored tips for small businesses looking to prepare and recover.
- Business Preparedness Checklist: Downloadable document to assess your business readiness.
- Top 20 Tips for Business Preparedness: Simple tips and steps to advance business readiness for disaster.

# **Chamber Membership Luncheon Season Passes on Sale Now!**

The Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce's 2021-22 membership meeting lunch schedule is set and season passes are on sale. The chamber's in-person membership meeting lunches are set to resume on Monday, September 20, 2021. NEVER RSVP for a chamber luncheon again! Attend membership meeting lunches with the purchase of a season pass and not only save money due to the discounted price, but even better, never worry about forgetting to make a reservation. With your season pass, it's all taken care of! Individual season passes for RACC members are \$175. A full table of eight for the entire season is \$1,400. Season passes for 2021-22 may be purchased ONLINE HERE. RACC members interested in paying in advance for a full table for the whole 2021-22 season may purchase online or contact the chamber at roseburg@roseburgareachamber.org to be billed.

#### Mark the Calendar / 2021-22 Membership Meeting Luncheons

Monday, September 20, 2021

Monday, October 18, 2021

Monday, November 15, 2021

Monday, January 10, 2022

Monday, February 14, 2022

Monday, March 14, 2022

Monday, April 11, 2022

Monday, May 16, 2022

# <u>Chamber's Most Requested/Distributed Publication Opens Ad</u> Sales

The Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce's 2021-22 *InUmpqua*—a business directory, community profile and visitor magazine—is now accepting reservations for ad placement. Thousands of copies of the *InUmpqua* have and will be distributed to residents, businesses, visitors and folks relocating to our area. Not to mention the thousands of views and downloads of the online edition of the publication each year.

The *InUmpqua* remains one of the best advertising mediums available to market our members' goods and services. It also provides an opportunity to support the chamber and local business community, as a portion of these "non-dues" revenue helps underwrite the work the chamber does each year on behalf of businesses.

Check out the online edition of the <u>2020-21 InUmpqua</u> and the <u>2021-22 InUmpqua</u> advertising rate sheet.

### **Save These Dates**

As chamber programs, activities and events return, in addition to the membership meeting lunch dates, above, be sure and save these dates, too!

**September 9, 2021** 2021-22 Project Leadership Commences / Applications Forms Coming in July **September 14, 2021** Business After Hours TBA

September 23, 2021 Annual Awards Dinner (w/Breakfast & Lunch Events, too) / Details Soon

November 15, 2021 Economic Forecast 2021

More news and details coming soon!

## **Chamber News, Programs & Updates**

Check out the chamber's May/June 2021 Business Perspectives newsletter online.

The Roseburg Area Chamber's 2021 "Shop Chamber & Save" exclusive member-to-member discount program flyer is **online**.

The chamber's annual celebration of business and awards event tentatively planned for March 18 has been rescheduled for Thursday, September 23, 2021. SAVE THE DATE!

Missed a past issue of *Business Perspectives* or one of those "oh-so-informative" membership email blasts? No worries. They are posted on the chamber website on the <u>Monthly Newsletter page</u> . . . just scroll.

## **Business Recovery Resource Center Library**

Please continue to check the chamber's online <u>"Business Recovery Resource Center Library Re: COVID-19 Pandemic,"</u> as the chamber updates its resource information at least weekly. And, please share this link with friends and colleagues. The more our local businesses are armed with information and access to resources, the stronger our recovery.

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