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BAYFIELD COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADVISORY TO SEASONAL AND SECOND HOMEOWNERS

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §252.03(1), the Bayfield County Public Health Official hereby declares that a Public Health Emergency exists in Bayfield County. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the national spread of the COVID-19 virus, Bayfield County Government must issue the following inter-county Travel Advisory.

- 1. Due to high community transmission in certain areas of the State and across the Nation, Bayfield County is recommending that you stay in your home area if you have a seasonal or second home in Bayfield County. Due to our very limited healthcare infrastructure, please do not visit us now.
- 2. People who have seasonal homes in Bayfield County, please stay at your winter homes at this time. If you are already back in Bayfield County, you must immediately self-isolate for I4-days. If you need assistance during that time for supplies, please call Bayfield County Health Department at (715)373-6109 so that we may assist you.
- 3. Bayfield County has one of the highest populations of older adults in the State of Wisconsin. This population is at the highest risk of COVID-19; it is our priority to keep our older residents healthy and safe.
- 4. On March 19, 2020, the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors declared a countywide COVID-19 Emergency Declaration. Please be aware that additional health and travel restrictions may be imposed during this time.
- 5. This is an everchanging and very serious health situation, and Bayfield County needs to be diligent in its response.

For the most up-to-date information regarding COVID-19 follow Bayfield County's website at www.bayfieldcounty.org/COVID or follow our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/BayfieldCountyHealthDept