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NEWS RELEASE

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COVID-19 Weekday Update

As of today at 2:00pm, there has been 4,620 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in the State of Wisconsin. Statewide, 242 individuals have died due to complications related to COVID-19. In Rock County, there has been a total of 83 confirmed positive cases, four deaths, and a minimum of 1,274 negative tests results reported.

Please visit our website, www.co.rock.wi.us/publichealth for additional local COVID-19 information updated daily.

Recreational Travel Advisory Clarification

The Rock County Public Health Department would like to clarify information based on questions we've received regarding the status of campgrounds being able to open for business. The Safer at Home Order #12 and Order #28 do not prohibit campgrounds from opening for people using a campground for essential and necessary reasons. However, the Safer at Home Order does have travel restrictions, ordering people to stay at home or their place of residence except for essential and necessary reasons. Travel to campgrounds, or other recreational lodging, is not considered as necessary or essential and is therefore prohibited. Local law enforcement will be enforcing any violations of this order. Please refer to the Safer at Home Order and Recreational Travel Advisory for more details. They can be found at <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/prepare.htm> and www.co.rock.wi.us/publichealth. The Rock County Public Health Department would like to thank the local campgrounds for their cooperation with abiding by this order and we look forward to these restrictions being dialed back as public health conditions warrant.

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