# Consultants Update COVID-19

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### **Discussion Topics**

- → Opening Up America Again
- → Weather
- → Facility Emergency Response



## **Opening Up America Again**





**GUIDELINES** 

# OPENING UP FAMERICA AGAIN

## **Considerations Business**

Consideratons for a COVID-19 Business Continuity Plan rev.28April2020	Pandemic Phase 1	Pandemic Phase 2	Pandemic Phase 3	Pandemic Phase 4
Stage 1: Pre-Infection Pandemic	X	X	Х	x
Stage 2: Customer w/ Coronavirus Patient / Employee		x	x	×
Stage 3: Distributor Employees w/ Presumptive CoronaVirus			x	x
Stage 4: Distributor Employees w/ CoronaVirus				×



## Stage 4 Edits

#### Stage 4: Distributor Employees w/ CoronaVirus

**Facilities -** Consider closing retail stores – or significantly limiting access using phone/electronic ordering and designated pick-up areas.

**Employees -** Pre-screen the employee's temperature and assess symptoms prior to them starting work. Ideally, temperature checks should happen before the individual enters the facility. Document results.

**Employees -** Wear a Mask: The employee should wear a face mask at all times while in the workplace for 14 days after last exposure. Employers can issue facemasks or can approve employees' supplied cloth face coverings in the event of shortages.

**Employees -** Social Distance: The employee should maintain 6 feet and practice social distancing as work duties permit in the workplace.

**Facilities -** Disinfect and Clean work spaces: Clean and disinfect all areas such as offices, bathrooms, common areas, shared electronic equipment routinely.

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## Face Mask / Cover Safety Practice

### GAWDA Sample Safety Practice: Face Mask / Covering Use During a Pandemic





LIST OF STATE RESTRICTIONS



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## WEATHER

#### Hazardous Weather / Flood Outlook

COVID – 19 NBEOC-FEMA Call

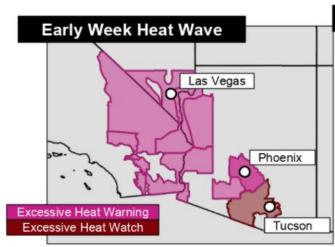
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### **Outlook This Week**



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Early season heat wave over much of the Southwest will peak early this week. Las Vegas is forecast to have their first 100+ degree temperature on record in April. 14 million people under heat-related watch or warning.



Rain and thunderstorms will spread quickly across the eastern half of the country from Tuesday to Thursday. Some of the heaviest totals may fall in the Northeast corridor. Flash flooding will be possible, but should be isolated. Drier weather is expected to settle in toward the end of the week.



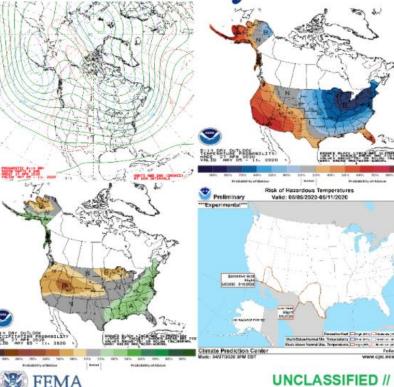
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## WEATHER

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### 8 to 14 Day Outlook



(<u>top left</u>): Moderately amplified mean 500-hPa flow pattern at high latitudes. Mean troughs for Aleutians and E North America. Mean ridge from W Canada to AK Mainland. Zonal flow for much of CONUS.

(bottom left): Drier than normal conditions likely for much of W CONUS as mean surface high over E Pacific steers storm systems away from West Coast. Return flow favors wet pattern for much of Gulf Coast/Southeast. Dry pattern likely for Upper Mississippi Valley due to Canadian high pressure. Mean surface low, active pattern for AK South Coast.

(top right / bottom right): High confidence for unseasonably cool pattern for Great Lakes/Northeast behind mean surface low. Ridging leads to slight risk of much above normal temperatures/excessive heat for the SW / S Plains. Above normal temperatures remain likely for FL.

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## FACILITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE

#### FACILITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

**Insert Company Name** 

Location

#### **Emergency Contact List**

Emergency Contact	Phone Number
Location Phone Number	
Fire Department	
Police Department	
Ambulance	
Hospital - Insert Hospital Name	
Poison Control	
Security Company - Insert Alarm Company Name	
Physical Security	
National Response Center	
State Spills	
State EPA	
24-Hour Tech Air Contacts	
Contact Person	
Second Contact	



### Attachments

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**Considerations for Business Continuity Plan** 



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