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**TO:** Interested Stakeholders

**FROM:** Governor Jay Inslee

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**DATE:** April 24, 2020

SUBJECT: Implementation of Phase 1 Construction Restart – Proclamation 20-25

As an addendum to Proclamation 20-25, this memorandum serves as the criteria for a limited Phase 1 Construction Restart.

After working with representatives from the Construction Roundtable, we have developed the comprehensive <u>Phase 1 Construction Restart COVID-19 Job Site Requirements</u>. These requirements apply to all construction activities in Washington as long as Gubernatorial Proclamation 20-25, or any extension thereof, is in effect or if adopted as rules by a federal, state or local regulatory agency.

This memorandum rescinds previous guidance related to construction from the essential business list and allows for all activities meeting a low-risk threshold of six foot distancing to operate.

In limited circumstances where six foot distancing requirements cannot be maintained on construction projects previously authorized under Proclamation 20-25, a hazard assessment and control plan must be implemented identifying appropriate PPE use in accordance with Department of Labor & Industries requirements (<u>https://www.lni.wa.gov/forms-publications/F414-164-000.pdf</u>). No newly authorized projects are permitted to break social distancing standards during phase 1.

No jobsite may operate until the contractor can meet and maintain all requirements, including providing materials, schedules and equipment required to comply. Currently operating projects must be in compliance by no later than Friday, May 1.

- All items minus numbers 28 and 30 are subject to enforcement action under L&I's Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH). Workplace safety and health complaints may be submitted to the L&I Call Center: (1-800-423-7233) or via e-mail to adag235@lni.wa.gov.
- General questions about how to comply with construction safety practices can be submitted to the state's Business Response Center at <a href="https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/2562f1caf5814c46a6bf163762263aa5">https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/2562f1caf5814c46a6bf163762263aa5</a>.
- All other violations related to Proclamation 20-25 can be submitted at <u>https://bit.ly/covid-compliance</u>.