

STATE OF WASHINGTON — Office of Governor Jay Inslee

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**TO:** All Washingtonians

**FROM:** Jay Inslee, Governor

SUBJECT: Modified COVID-19 Travel Advisory

On November 13, 2020, due to the increasing incidence of COVID-19 in many states and countries, I issued a travel advisory for persons arriving in Washington from out of state, and Washingtonians returning from other states or countries. That document advised: (1) those returning to Washington from other states or countries should self-quarantine for 14 days after arrival; and, (2) it encouraged Washingtonians to avoid non-essential out-of-state travel.

Since I issued that November 2020 travel advisory, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has updated its own <u>COVID-19 travel advisory guidance</u>. Current CDC guidance is more robust, thorough, and specific than my November 2020 travel advisory, and importantly, the CDC updates its guidance to reflect the latest science, optimal safety practices and protocols, and the current COVID-19 situation here and abroad.

Accordingly, at this time, I am rescinding my November 13, 2020, travel advisory and instead advising Washingtonians and others who may be visiting Washington from outside the state to comply with the CDC's current COVID-19 travel advisory guidance.