



Department of Health and Human Services

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ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

Closure of Oconto County Owned Campgrounds and Boat Landings
And
Suspension of ATV/UTV Use on County Roads That Are Part of the Trail System

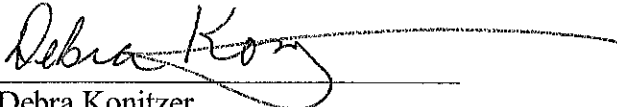
As the local health officer for Oconto County, it is my duty to promptly take all measures necessary to prevent, suppress, and control communicable diseases. The Health Officer is authorized, under Wis. Stats. §252.03, to do what is reasonable and necessary for the prevention and suppression of disease, including forbidding public gatherings when deemed necessary to control outbreaks of epidemics.

With the current COVID-19 pandemic, now is the time to assure that these actions are taken to reduce the spread of this virus in our county. Therefore, it is now ordered that Oconto County owned campgrounds and boat landings are closed and ATV/UTV use on county roads that are part of the trail system is suspended for the following reasons:

1. Oconto County is committed to the health and safety of the county residents.
2. The above-mentioned activities reduce the ability to properly social distance which affects community spread of the virus.
3. The above-mentioned activities draw people from outside of our county into our county, increasing its population. Increasing the population of our county will burden our health care system.
4. The above-mentioned activities encourage non-essential travel.
5. The above-mentioned activities allow for congregating of groups greater than 10.

Failure to comply with this order could result in a forfeiture (fine), or criminal prosecution.

This Health Order takes effect on April 8th, 2020 at 5:00 AM and remains in effect until further notice.



Debra Konitzer
Oconto County Health Officer

4/7/2020

Date