



# City of Pacific Grove

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### **CLOSURE OF OCEAN VIEW BOULEVARD PARKING TURNOUTS, LOVERS POINT PARK AND LOVERS POINT BEACHES TO SLOW THE SPREAD OF COVID-19**

Pacific Grove, California:

To minimize the impacts of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) on park patrons, the City of Pacific Grove will implement a temporary closure of Ocean View Boulevard Turnouts, Lovers Point Park and Lovers Point Beaches to reinforce social distancing and reduce large public gatherings.

These measures are in alignment with the State of California Department of Health Stay-at-Home Order, the Monterey County Health Officer Shelter-in-Place Order, and the City of Pacific Grove Proclamation of Local Emergency.

Closures effective Friday, July 3 through Sunday, July 5, 2020 include:

- Ocean View Boulevard Parking Turnouts
- Lovers Point Park
- Lovers Point Beaches

With the summer holiday weekend, it is expected the City will receive an influx of visitors to the coastline. Due to serious public health concerns, increasing COVID-19 cases in California, as well as additional beach closures along the west coast, City Manager Ben Harvey has authorized the closure.

The Western Lovers Point Beach (with entry from the Pacific Grove Recreational Trail) will remain open for water recreational activities only for those surfing, swimming, paddle boarding, kayaking, scuba diving and snorkeling. No standing, sitting, laying, or walking on the beach is permitted (unless walking down for entry into the water for outlined recreational activities).

The Pacific Grove Recreational Trail and Ocean View Boulevard remain open and accessible for those practicing social distancing protocols while walking, running

and bicycling. At all times, the public shall wear a mask or face covering in these highly visited areas in compliance with the State of California Department of Health Stay-at-Home Order and the Monterey County Health Officer Shelter-in-Place Order.

We appreciate our community and our visitor's understanding and cooperation.  
We are all in this together to slow the spread of COVID-19!

For general information about COVID-19, visit [www.cityofpg.org/covid19](http://www.cityofpg.org/covid19), email [pio@cityofpg.org](mailto:pio@cityofpg.org) and follow us on social media.