



Dear CTA Member,

We are closely monitoring the coronavirus (COVID-19) situation and want to share the latest information provided by the State of California and American Trucking Associations.

We will continue to consult with the agencies and authorities regarding this emerging and rapidly evolving situation. We will update you with any pertinent information.

Governor Newsom Declares State of Emergency to Help State Prepare for Broader Spread of COVID-19

As part of the state's response to address the global COVID-19 outbreak, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19. The proclamation comes as the number of positive California cases rises and following one official COVID-19 death. Governor Newsom announced the release of millions of [N95 masks](#) to address shortages caused by COVID-19. The state has secured the [capacity to test](#) thousands of specimens from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to expedite testing.

For the latest on the state's COVID-19 preparedness and response, visit cdph.ca.gov. A copy of Governor Newsom's emergency proclamation can be found [here](#).

Employers statewide directly affected by the new coronavirus (COVID-19) may request up to a 60-day extension of time from the EDD to file their state payroll reports and/or deposit payroll taxes without penalty or interest. This extension may be granted under Section 1111.5 of the California Unemployment Insurance Code (CUIC). A written request for extension must be received within 60 days from the original delinquent date of the payment or return. More information can be [found here](#).

Information and Resources from American Trucking Associations

At this time, we recommend employers consider strategies that can protect their workforce from COVID-19 while enabling operations to continue. This is an opportunity to review relevant company policies and procedures. To that end, below you can find initial resources:

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has posted [guidance for the business community](#), which details strategies employers can begin using now. The CDC's [Coronavirus website](#) has more general information about the virus, as well up-to-date [travel advisory information](#).
- The U.S. Chamber of Commerce produced this [factsheet](#) for businesses on how to plan and respond to Coronavirus.
- The Chamber also has [tips for employees](#) on how to practice good hygiene in the workplace.