



Executive Order

BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

- Whereas: On March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump proclaimed a national emergency beginning March 1, 2020 due to the potential impact of the novel coronavirus, known as “COVID-19”; and
- Whereas: On March 14, 2020, under the authority vested in Governor Brian Kemp, a Declaration of Public Health State of Emergency was declared in the State of Georgia due to the potential impact of COVID-19; and
- Whereas: On March 16, 2020, President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) issued the “15 Days to Slow the Spread” guidance advising individuals to adopt far-reaching social distancing measures, such as avoiding gatherings of more than 10 people; and
- Whereas: COVID-19 poses a health risk to Jekyll Island residents and visitors, particularly those who are elderly, immunosuppressed, or otherwise have high-risk medical conditions; and
- Whereas: Minimization of contact is necessary to avoid COVID-19 infection; and
- Whereas: Beaches are potential gathering places for the spread of COVID-19; and
- Whereas: It is necessary and appropriate to take action to ensure that Jekyll Island remains safe and secure and to avoid Jekyll Island becoming a public health and safety hazard due to large gatherings of people; and
- Whereas: Jekyll Island, Georgia is located within and is considered part of the State of Georgia; and
- Whereas: The Jekyll Island-State Park Authority Board of Directors is appointed by the Governor of Georgia; and
- Whereas: The Jekyll Island State Park Authority Executive Director serves under the direction of such Board; and

Whereas: The authority is vested in the Jekyll Island State Park Authority Executive Director to issue reasonable orders necessary to protect the public, employees and guests of Jekyll Island; and

Now, Therefore, it is hereby,

Ordered: That all beaches on Jekyll Island, Georgia shall close at 6:00 a.m. on March 21, 2020 and remain closed until the expiration of this Order.

It is further,

Ordered: That this Order shall apply to Jekyll Island beaches and the following public bathrooms: St. Andrews, Corsair Beach Park, Little Great Dunes, Great Dunes, and Oceanview Beach Park.

It is further,

Ordered: That this Order shall *not* apply to marinas and boat launches, docking, fueling, marine supply and other marina services, or the Clam Creek Fishing Pier.

It is further,

Ordered: That all resources of the Jekyll Island-State Park Authority be made available to assist in carrying out this Order.

This Executive Order shall expire April 13, 2020 unless it is renewed or terminated earlier by the Executive Director.



C. Jones Hooks
Executive Director