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Changes to the Inter-Island Ferry Authority Schedule in Response to COVID-19

Prince of Wales, ALASKA –

Starting on March 28th, the Inter-Island Ferry Authority (IFA) will implement a 4-day per week schedule. Ferry service between Prince of Wales and Ketchikan will operate on Sundays, Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays only, and passenger service will be limited to essential travel.

Essential travel includes people returning home, traveling for critical medical care, and those transporting essential goods and services. The total number of passengers permitted on board has been reduced by 75% to allow for sufficient social distancing. With ferry capacity limited, reservations are recommended and can be secured online at interislandferry.com. Ferry departure and arrival times remain unchanged. While terminals will be closed on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, IFA agents remain available by phone at 866-308-4848 seven days a week.

The IFA has taken additional measures to ensure the health and safety of onboard passengers. In addition to continual disinfection of surfaces, ship crew will be deep cleaning the ferry on non-sailing days. Galley food service will have a limited menu and will serve only “take-out” foods. Passenger screening measures have been implemented, and the IFA requests that people check-in early. The IFA will continue to monitor the situation and will provide more updates as additional changes are implemented.

“These are unprecedented times and we are committed to our employees, elders and passengers for their safety and essential travel.” explains Ron Curtis General Manager of the Inter-Island Ferry Authority. “We are working diligently to preserve the health of our communities, customers, and staff.”

The IFA website contains additional information about measures taken by the IFA to reduce the spread of COVID-19, along with additional resources to stay informed: interislandferry.com. Click on Covid-19 Travel Advisories at the top of the web page.