

COVID-19 Update

Emergency Advisory Committee
March 18, 2020

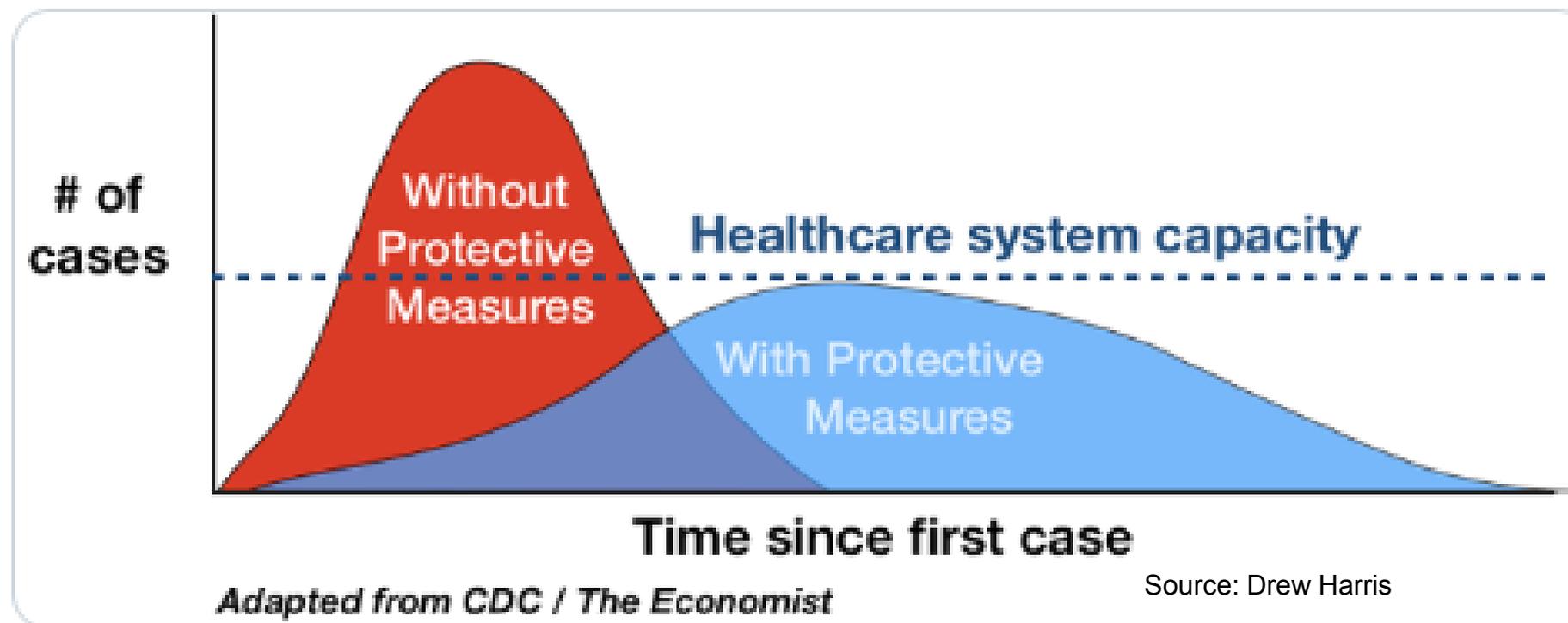
Agenda

1. Situation Update
2. ESS Update
3. Considerations relative to SOLE
4. Budget
 - Response efforts
 - Revenue impacts

Approach

Important to remember that COVID-19 epidemic control measures may only delay cases, not prevent.

However, this may limit surge and gives hospitals time to prepare and manage.



Situation Update

- March 17, Premier Jason Kenney declared a State of Public Health Emergency.
- Staffing compliment is robust.
- Service impacts
 - Closure of County owned Facilities on March 13
 - Reduction in some services due to decreased demand
 - Adjustments made on March 17
 - To protect critical staff e.g. closure of public access to SCES and RCMP
 - To comply with direction from Chief Medical Officer of Health e.g. outdoor skating rinks, dog park, SWC, Community Halls, Smeltzer House, Gallery@501, Children and Youth Community Centre
 - See strathcona.ca/covid19 for a complete and current list

Social Support and Emergency Social Services

- Contact with the Social Framework Leadership Table
- Status updates and connection with the Foodbank
- Social supports available through FCS
- Incident Management Team for Emergency Social Services

Considerations relative to State of Local Emergency (SOLE)

- A SOLE is not required for Strathcona County at this time.
- The EAC has and can provide the governance decisions necessary to support our response and recovery.
- If the province implements a Disaster Recovery Assistance Program a SOLE is not necessary to access these supports.
- We have the active support of the Provincial Operations Centre (POC)

Considerations relative to State of Local Emergency (SOLE)

- Powers under a SOLE
 - Seize real or personal property
 - Control or prohibit travel
 - Restore essential services
 - Cause evacuation
 - Authorize entry without a warrant
 - Cause demolition
 - Procure or fix prices
 - Authorize conscription

Budget – Response Efforts

- The funding which was approved on March 13 has been expended for the intended purposes.
 - A special cleaner that can be utilized to disinfect in the event of a COVID exposure (e.g. ambulance, bus, police car)
 - Wipes and sanitizer must now be purchased by the pallet
- Administration will need to utilize expenditure authority up to 2 million dollars under emergency circumstances.

Budget - Revenue

- Administration is working to analyze the budget impact of lost revenue associated with closure of County owned facilities.

COVID-19 INFORMATION

HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD

Prevention starts with awareness.
Be informed on how you can
protect yourself and others from
novel coronavirus:

- Self-isolate if you're feeling sick
- Wash your hands frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Avoid touching your face

Concerns about your health?
Call Health Link 811.

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