



**Gila River Hotels & Casinos – Wild Horse Pass, Lone Butte and Vee Quiva
to Close Temporarily to Mitigate Recent COVID-19 Spikes in Arizona**
*Gaming enterprise closes for two weeks, offering continued paid leave and benefits to
all employees*

CHANDLER, Ariz. (June 18, 2020) – To protect the safety and health of one and all, Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. will again temporarily close Gila River Hotels & Casinos - Wild Horse Pass, Lone Butte, and Vee Quiva to reassess its current safety standards. The decision came after a careful evaluation of the growing enterprise’s current safety plan with the Gila River Indian Community Council and feedback from its community and team members.

The closure will be effective for all three properties beginning at 2 a.m. on June 18, and it will be in effect for two weeks. The enterprise will use this closure to see whether the recent rise in Arizona COVID cases subsides and to re-examine every aspect of its operation. This includes disinfection procedures, social distancing measures, health checks, testing protocols, masking and how best to protect workers and everyone who visits its properties. During this closure all team members will continue to be paid in full and receive full health benefits.

“Nothing is more important to our Community than the well-being of our team members and guests, children, elders and families,” said Gila River Indian Community Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis. “Like our sister tribes and businesses all over Arizona, we have tried to do what is best for all, while processing new information and new guidelines about the pandemic with little in the way of definitive guidance.”

Throughout the closure, Gila River Hotels & Casinos will continue to monitor updates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), and will update its safety protocols and procedures as necessary.

About Gila River Hotels & Casinos

Gila River Hotels & Casinos operates three Arizona casinos owned by the Gila River Indian Community: Wild Horse Pass, Lone Butte, and Vee Quiva.

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