Good Afternoon –   June 5, 2020

In March, we made the tough decision to shut down all of our activities through the end of May. In retrospect, as heartwrenching as it was, the decision was the right one. Now, as the state of Wyoming is starting to ease up on physical distancing guidelines and the sizes of groups, Special Olympics Wyoming is excited to take some steps to open up.

We have promoted fitness opportunities for our athletes to participate in at home, but we know that it doesn't replace the opportunity to train and interact with others. So, to continue our overreaching interest in our athletes, partners, and volunteers' wellbeing, we are moving toward what we consider a soft reopening.

Starting on June 15th, we are allowing and encouraging training for the following three sports:
- Golf
- Cycling
- Equestrian

The three sports listed are all outdoor sports and allow for physical distancing.

As we look forward over the summer, we will continue to monitor directives from the Department of Health and offer more frequent updates on allowable activities and plans as we approach our August – September – October competition schedule.

Discussion points now amongst the Board of Directors and staff include:
- Summer Sports Classic moved to August 28th & 29th.
- Any gatherings under the auspices of Special Olympics Wyoming can have no more than ten people (athletes, partners, and coaches).
  - Please keep an attendance record of any Special Olympics gathering.
- Exploring an increased amount of Local Competition to keep group gatherings smaller.
- Planning a "We're Back" state-wide, community-based celebration in August.

I have attached a document regarding our "Return to Play" with more details for your use. Please continue to be vigilant regarding the coronavirus. Follow preventative measures such as keeping your hands clean, avoiding contact with people who are sick, and staying home if you don't feel well.

Thank you for your understanding, cooperation, and support.

Sincerely,

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