COVID-19 Response & Recovery
Travel Recommendations

Effective Date: September 23, 2021   Expiring on: December 16, 2021
(Note: This is not a Mandate – These are Recommendations to Mitigate against COVID-19)

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Wainwright, at a meeting held on September 23, 2021, and adopted Resolution 2022-15 - COVID 19 Response & Recovery Travel Recommendations effective September 23, 2021 and expiring on December 16, 2021, authorizing the following travel recommendations:

Travel / Testing Recommendations - Arriving in Wainwright by Land, Air or Sea, Vaccinated or Unvaccinated

Under State of Alaska COVID-19 Response and Recovery, revised April 26, 2021, Local Communities may enact travel restrictions and protective measures to mitigate potential spread of the COVID-19 virus, but cannot prevent individuals for traveling for a Critical Personal Need, Subsistence Activities, or the conduct of an Essential Service/Critical Infrastructure installation, maintenance or repair, or Residents returning home.

In response to the recent positive COVID-19 cases in Wainwright and cases increasing in the whole State of Alaska, the City Council has issued the following recommendations for ALL TRAVELERS arriving into Wainwright, whether they are vaccinated or unvaccinated. Please follow these recommendations, which are more stringent than the State of Alaska Health Advisories.

For ALL TRAVELERS arriving into Wainwright, whether traveling within the North Slope Borough, from other Communities On or Off the Road System, Vaccinated or Unvaccinated, follow testing recommendations:

1. Take COVID-19 PCR Test when returning/arriving into Wainwright:

   a. Pre-travel Test before you come back to Wainwright:
      
      • Travelers are encouraged to take the COVID-19 PCR test available at a COVID Testing Station from their point of origin within 72 hours of departure to Wainwright or provide a negative result from a test taken within 72 hours of departure.
      
      • Travelers and ALL household members are strongly encouraged to follow social distancing measures until negative results are received.

2. Take Second COVID-19 PCR Test 7-10 days after your First Test. Travelers are strongly encouraged to take a second test 7-10 days after their first test (the test that was taken either within 72 hours before arrival into Wainwright) in order to capture the virus after a possible incubation period.
3. If you do not want other members of your household to Quarantine, it is highly recommended that you make arrangements to have your family stay elsewhere, to avoid putting your household in quarantine too.

4. If you do not wish to take a COVID-19 Test: A traveler or resident who is unvaccinated and returning to Wainwright, who does not wish to take a COVID-19 test, must minimize all contact while traveling and must Quarantine for 10 days when they return to their declared destination of Wainwright. EVERYONE in the household must Quarantine for 10 days also.

5. Asymptomatic people who have recovered from a documented SARS-CoV-2 infection within the past 90 days are not recommended to pre-travel test nor test upon arrival. IF MORE THAN 90 DAYS SINCE RECOVERY FROM COVID 19, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO THE TRAVEL AND TESTING RECOMMENDATIONS, IN EFFECT.

6. Anyone who is currently infected with SARS-CoV-2 virus MUST NOT travel until they are cleared from isolation by a medical professional. (COVID-19 Response and Recovery Health Advisory No.3)

7. Fully Vaccinated travelers should follow pre-travel testing protocols, but do not need to follow strict social distancing while they are awaiting test results.
   a. Fully vaccinated is defined as more than two weeks following receipt of the second dose in a two-dose series, or more than two weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine.

Travelers are NOT ALLOWED in any public places while Quarantining, until negative test results are received or Complete 10 day Quarantine period if you choose not to take a COVID-19 test.

If you have questions about the City’s response to COVID-19 please contact Office Manager at (907)925-2007 or email at officemanager@cityofwainwright.com.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 09-24-21

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