



4/13/20-- Uinta County COVID-19 Update

WYOMING CONFIRMS FIRST COVID-19-RELATED DEATH

Sadly, we can't claim to be the only state without a COVID fatality, anymore.

This is terribly sad and more than a little scary. It serves as a harsh reminder that the social distancing and closures, which many of us are getting tired of, are still really important.

It's hard to make direct attribution statements, but it is likely that the measures we've taken in our state have served to keep hospitalization and death numbers down.

To keep the Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) from impacting our state in big ways, we've got to keep it up.

Here are Governor Mark Gordon's words from the press release:

Governor Mark Gordon has issued the following statement following the announcement of the first coronavirus-related death in Wyoming. The hospitalized Johnson County man had health conditions that put him at higher risk of severe illness and complications related to COVID-19.

"I am saddened to learn that we have lost our first Wyoming citizen to COVID-19. This one was close to home and sadly serves as a grim reminder of the importance of following public health orders and guidance so we can reduce the number of serious illnesses and deaths in our state. Jennie and I extend our thoughts and prayers to this gentleman's family and friends."

There have been 275 confirmed and 98 probable cases reported to date from across Wyoming. This is the first reported death associated with the pandemic in the state.

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