John,

Thanks for the call today. Based on our conversation I think it would make sense for me to outline the three Phases as I see them as laid out by the national COVID – 19 Task Force. I can then better explain where I see Indiana Golf and The First Tee of Indiana events fitting into these various phases. I totally understand that Indiana may revise those Phases slightly from a national standpoint but since the national guidelines are in place they seem like a good starting point.

So here are the highlights, as I see them, to the three Phases:

Phase I
- Gatherings limited to less than 10 people
- Vulnerable individuals should continue to shelter in place
- Minimize non-essential travel
- Return to work in phases
- Schools remain closed
- Visits to senior living facilities and hospitals are prohibited
- Gyms may reopen under strict guidelines
- Bars remain closed

Phase II
- Visits to senior living facilities and hospitals are prohibited
- Large venues (sit down dining, movie theaters, churches, sporting venues) can operate under moderate physical distancing protocols
- Bars may operate with diminished standing – room occupancy
- Schools and organized youth activities can reopen
- Elective surgeries can resume

Phase III
- For the most part we would be operating as we were before the virus (I’m sure this will be an evolving situation as the world monitors the future of the virus and determines what needs to be done in a social setting)

Those are the three phases as I see them being outlined by the COVID – 19 Task Force. From an Indiana Golf standpoint, here is how I see us operating under each of the phases.

Phase I
- For the most part golf courses are open but with varying restrictions
- Indiana Golf is serving as a hub for information to PGA Members and our Indiana Golf Member facilities
- Indiana Golf is not holding any events or programs and has suspended all events until May 26 at the present time

Phase II
- Indiana Golf believes First Tee clinics can be held. First Tee clinics generally have less than 20 attendees per session. First Tee clinics will practice all CDC guidelines that are in place including prohibiting physical contact and practicing social distancing
• Indiana Golf can begin running championship events in an altered format. No shotgun starts will be used. Tee time intervals will be expanded to 12-15 minutes to limit the number of people who are around the driving range and putting green areas. Scoring areas will be adjusted to limit interactions. Food and beverage will not be part of our events and host facilities will follow all the CDC guidelines in place.
• Indiana Golf will continue to provide Best Practices to all of our PGA Members and Golf Facilities based on national feedback from the PGA of America, the USGA and the First Tee.
• Golf Courses will be told they can hold leagues and outings under the same parameters that we use for our championship events including limiting crowds to less than 50 players, expanding tee time intervals and eliminating large shotgun starts.

Phase III
• With certain guidelines that are still to be established as we move through the Phases Indiana Golf and our member courses will be able to operate close to the pre-virus time period.

John, let me know if this makes sense and if it is what you are looking for. I want to get an email to our PGA members in the next day or so to give them some guidance as to what they need to be doing as we move through the “re-opening” process.

Thanks again for your time and I look forward to hearing from you.

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