

This is exceptional work and I'm very grateful to you and the entire restaurant business sector! I think the response to my initial questions is complete and I have only one point of clarification. While I expect it's already considered, please include a note of sanitizing condiments between uses of patrons. The best practice of single use or staff providing the condiments to customers (not having them out on the table/counter) for self-dispensing is ideal with sanitizing after the items are removed from the table when cleaning the table, cleaned and sanitized and then relocated to the restaurant storage location.

I am provisionally approving the Restaurant Sector Plan with the Bar Appendix with the following required changes:

1. Condiments will be sanitized between uses of Patrons
2. Dance floors are closed at this time to allow for additional spacing and seating
 - i. Future planning will be done to determine how to safely reopen dance floors
3. Bare capacity will be initially limited to 25% inside but this capacity will not include staff/employees/owners
 - i. Future consideration for increased capacity, especially with outdoor seating, is reasonable and expected
4. Bar seating will provide physical (social) distancing
 - i. If seating cannot be removed, it will be blocked to prevent patrons/customers from using the seating

It is clear the Restaurant Business Sector group has invested a tremendous amount of expertise, time and effort in developing this plan. The target date of 5/20 for restaurants to re-open is appropriate if CDPHE approves the Gunnison County Variance request. The Variance from CDPHE will likely include additional requirements for Gunnison County and may apply specifically to restaurants and bars. Any applicable Variance requirement(s) will need to be incorporated into the restaurant business sector plan for final review and approval. Increased outdoor seating capacity (50%) is appropriate.

Thank you again for all of the tremendous work!

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