

# NOTICE TO HIKERS

**Title of Notice: Santa Rosa County COVID-19 Closures**

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**Region:** Panhandle

**FTA Map No.** 1

**Perm. Change?** No

**Effective Date:** 3/21/20

**Ending Date:** Until Further Notice

## **Description:**

Santa Rosa County additionally enacted an emergency measure to close Navarre Beach and the pier, effective as of midnight tonight, Fri., Mar. 20. See the red areas of the graphic above.

\*\*\*\*\*This means ONLY Navarre Beach residents, hotel/rental guests and workers will be allowed to pass the sheriff's checkpoint and NO ONE, regardless of residence or guest status, will be allowed on the beach in the areas indicated in red on the graphic.\*\*\*\*\*

This closure includes all of Navarre Beach from the Santa Rosa County line to the east and Gulf Islands National Seashore border to the west on both the gulf and sound side of Navarre Beach.

This decision was reached based on discussions with leaders in the healthcare industry, our observations of density on the beach yesterday, and an anticipated increase in the number of beachgoers as neighboring

beaches close," said Commission Chairman Don Salter, District 3. "This measure will decrease travel incentives and help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Once we are assured by our medical professionals it is safe, our beautiful beaches will be reopened for all to enjoy."