

Safety Report
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Despite being closed to the public work continues to be ongoing with our equipment and grounds, and safety is still a top concern for those volunteers performing the necessary work; in fact I'd go so far as to say that the unique conditions presented this season necessitate greater observation of current and new safety guidelines. The reason for us being closed, for those unaware, is the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and current measures to prevent the spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus. Despite things starting to reopen both around the country and in California, there are some unique challenges for a museum such as ours to be able to operate safely and responsibly, and the health and safety of both the public and our personnel needs to be of the utmost importance.

To that end, I'm glad to say that we are able to continue to keep up with things around the museum with our small pool of volunteers. Total personnel on the grounds at a time is well under ten individuals, and we continue to observe protocol for social distancing and periodically disinfect the facilities that are in use. With things a little slower as a result of this there isn't a whole lot to report on at the moment.

The annual servicing of our fire extinguishers has been scheduled for this coming Monday, May 18, and I'll be gathering things up Sunday evening at the end of the shop for the service technician. I'll be getting few units serviced this spring since we have few pieces of equipment open or in operation this season, I expect only 35-40 extinguishers. I hope to get the units that I bought last year serviced late summer or early fall, and if needed the unused equipment extinguishers that are passed over next week can be dealt with at that time.