



Message from the General Manager COVID-19 Update | April 9, 2020

NAS Team,

Thursday, April 9, Tier 2 operations (Operationally Urgent) are continuing.

- **Employees who are not involved in executing Tier 2 operations are not allowed to access the base.**
- Notifications will be made if additional employees will be supporting future Tier 2 operations.

Tennessee Governor Lee's "safer at home" order is in effect through April 14. This order does not apply to Arnold AFB operations.

Maryland Governor Hogan's "stay at home" directive is in effect until the state of emergency is over. Tunnel 9 operations are exempted from this directive.

NAS Status

- Arnold AFB is in HPCON Charlie; Tier 2 operations began April 6.
- Tunnel 9 is in HPCON Charlie; Tier 2 operations began April 6.
- NFAC employees are sheltered in place at their homes through May 3.
- Business travel is restricted.

100% screening is being conducted at Arnold AFB and Tunnel 9. Employees are expected to:

- Comply with social distancing rules (six feet).
- Limit in-person meeting attendees to no more than 10.
- Avoid in-person interactions when possible by conducting engagements by phone, instant messenger, virtual meetings, etc.

NOTE: As directed by the Commander, NAS employees are required to wear N-95 masks (or masks/respirators with equal or greater protection) when social distancing rules (maintaining 6-foot distance) cannot be maintained for work that requires extended interactions. Personal masks may not be worn as a substitute for N-95 masks when performing work requiring that level of protection.

Personal masks are encouraged to be worn when employees believe they may be unable to maintain social distancing in casual interactions (e.g., passing in the hallway). Personal masks may not be worn when doing so introduces a hazard (such as when driving). Normal social distancing remains in effect, and all rules are to be followed.

For information regarding making, using, and sanitizing/disinfecting personal masks, please refer to Centers for Disease Control guidance at [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov).

NOTE: Current Tennessee hotspot counties are Davidson, Knox, Rutherford, Shelby, Sumner, Williamson, and Wilson (added).

NOTE: Georgia screening is by-county; counties in Georgia with >100 positive cases are Bartow, Carroll, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett and Henry, all in the Atlanta Metro area; Cherokee in the Canton area; Hall in the Gainesville area; Chatham in the Savannah area; and Dougherty, Lee, Sumter, and Mitchell (added) in south Georgia.

NOTE: Alabama screening is by-county; counties in Alabama with >100 positive cases are Lee in the Auburn area, Jefferson and Shelby in the Birmingham area, Madison in the Huntsville area, Chambers in the Lafayette area, and Mobile in the Mobile area.

NOTE: The work on our sites remains critical to National Security and is being conducted in compliance with the AEDC Commander's priorities:

- **Safeguard the health of the workforce**



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- **Execute the mission to the best of our ability**
- **Take care of each other**

A Tunnel 9 employee returned to work on April 3 after an extended absence. The employee was not feeling well over the weekend and was tested April 7, for COVID-19 by a health care provider. We will share this test result when it becomes available.

A Mission Execution employee, who last worked on April 3, was tested for COVID-19 on Tuesday, April 7. **This test result was negative for COVID-19.**

A Business Services employee, who had a mild fever April 6, was tested for COVID-19 on Tuesday, April 7. **This test result was negative for COVID-19.**

NOTE: A non-NAS employee who works in Bldg. 1478 was tested for COVID-19 on April 7. The test result was positive for COVID-19. Affected employees were notified. In accordance with CDC guidelines, the affected portion of the building is quarantined until April 16.

Notify your supervisor if you have been tested for COVID-19 and are awaiting results.

Notify your supervisor if you or an immediate family member have:

- A confirmed COVID-19 case.
- Been quarantined.
- Been placed under medical observation.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) are available on the NAS internal website at <https://team.nas-llc.us/Pages/Coronavirus-Info.aspx>.

Continue to utilize appropriate personal hygiene practices.

Area Health Departments want you to call your primary care provider first, and the provider will conduct triage over the phone. If you meet the criteria, the provider will refer you to a testing location.

Stay Focused

- Do not let this situation create workplace distractions. Stop work immediately if you have any safety concerns. Elevate concerns to NAS leadership.
- It is in the interest of National Security as well as the AEDC and NAS workforce that everyone adhere to prevention recommendations to minimize the possibility of COVID-19 transmission.

Managers and Supervisors: Please ensure this information is shared with your teams.

Craft Supervisors: Please read this email to your team members.

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