

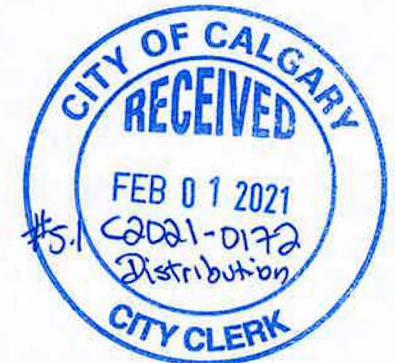
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# COVID-19 Update (Verbal) C2021-0172

Presentation to Strategic Meeting of Council  
2021 February 1



1. COVID Executive Response Group (CEREG) Update: GM Morgan
2. COVID-19 Situation Update: Chief Henry
3. Questions





## COVID Executive Response Group (CERG)

- Evolution of the Relaunch Working Group
- Mandate:
  - Supporting Calgary's Emergency Management Agency in responding to the pandemic
  - Coordinating **non-emergency** City response to pandemic, and keeping the Executive Leadership Team informed
  - Guiding implementation of the COFLEX program
  - Supporting Finance on tracking and reporting of variances due to the pandemic



## Flexible & Nimble COVID Response

- City worked with Federal & Provincial partners to address operating funding gaps
- Maximize the value of that funding for citizens and businesses
  - **COFLEX program**
- Optimizes Municipal Operating Support Transfer (MOST) & ongoing COVID-19 expenditure management
- Rapid review & approval process through Executive Group



# COFLEX Program Focus Areas

## **COPING with COVID**

*The City is nimble in helping our people, community & businesses*

Criteria:

- Resilience for local businesses
- Responsible social interactions
- Generates optimism

## **SUPPORTING our PARTNERS**

*The City lends a hand to our civic & community partners*

Criteria:

- Directly addresses partner financial challenges
- Continues successful programs

## **PREPARING for UNCERTAINTY**

*The City is proactive & flexible in its pandemic response*

Criteria:

- Data analytics to guide decisions
- Prepares for multiple outcomes
- Enables change in daily behaviors

## **PLANNING for LIFE after COVID**

*The City is ready to move quickly to 'reactivate Calgary'*

Criteria:

- Implements COVID pilot programs
- Short-term certainty for business
- Rebuilds confidence in services



# COFLEX Project Highlights

## Enhanced pathway snow clearing

- 100% of pathways, from 50%
- Support responsible outdoor activities during COVID
- Physical & mental health



## N95 mask procurement

- Replenishing City mask supply
- Ensuring health & safety of employees

## Civic Partner Support

- Directly addressing partner financial challenges



# COFLEX Project Highlights

## Additional Transit Passenger Counters

- From 50% to 75% of the fleet
- Optimize service & fleet deployment during the pandemic



## Affordable Housing

- Increase operational support

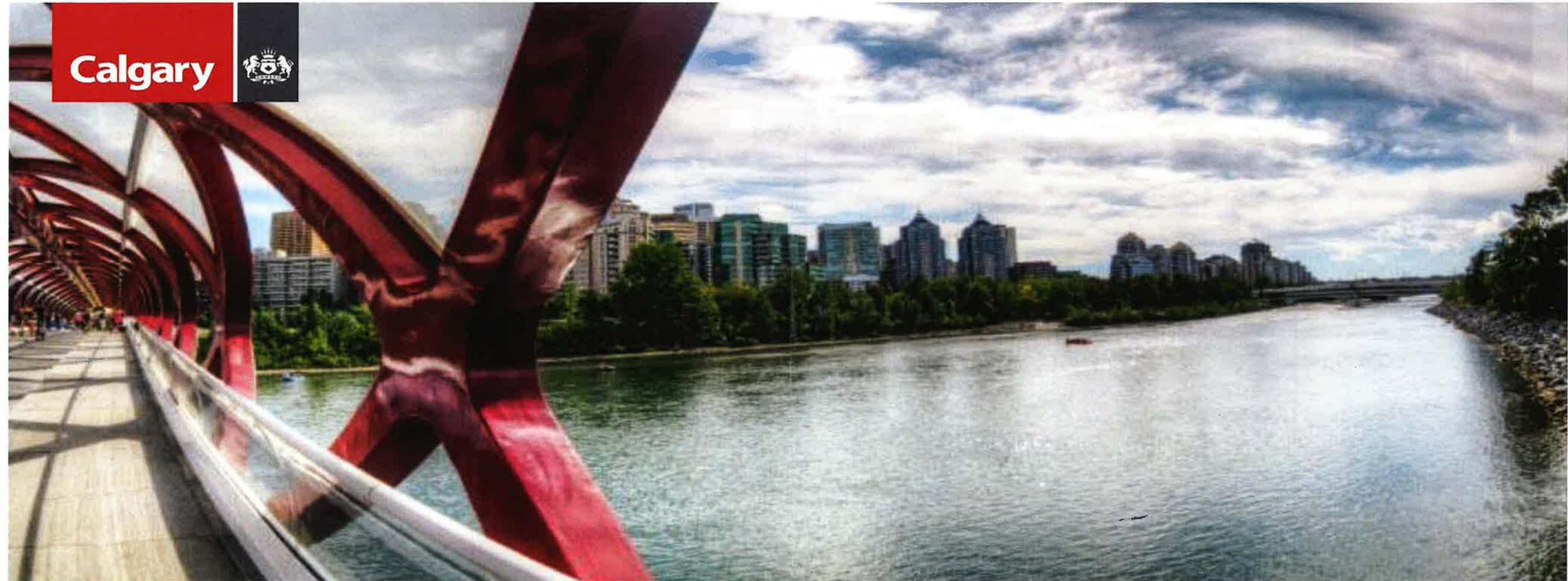
## IT Deskside Support

- Expand capacity to address increased demands around remote work



## Additional Considerations

- Finalizing corporate 2021 year-end projections
  - Enables sustainment of City operations
  - Influences funding available for COFLEX projects
  - Next COVID-19 monthly report: 2021 Feb 08
- Focus on responding quickly and supporting actions across the corporation

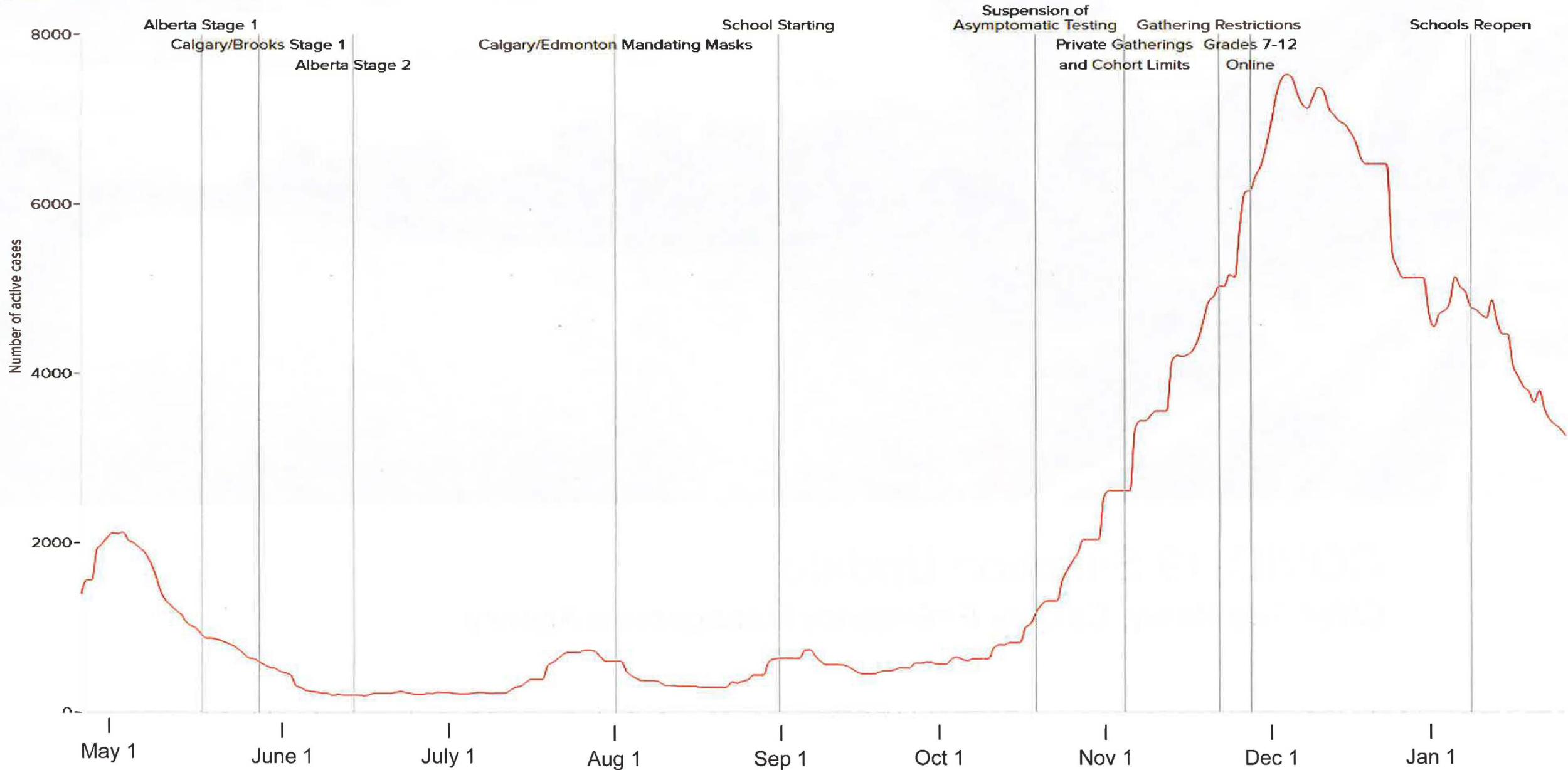


## COVID-19 Situation Update

Chief Sue Henry, Calgary Emergency Management Agency



# Calgary Active Cases



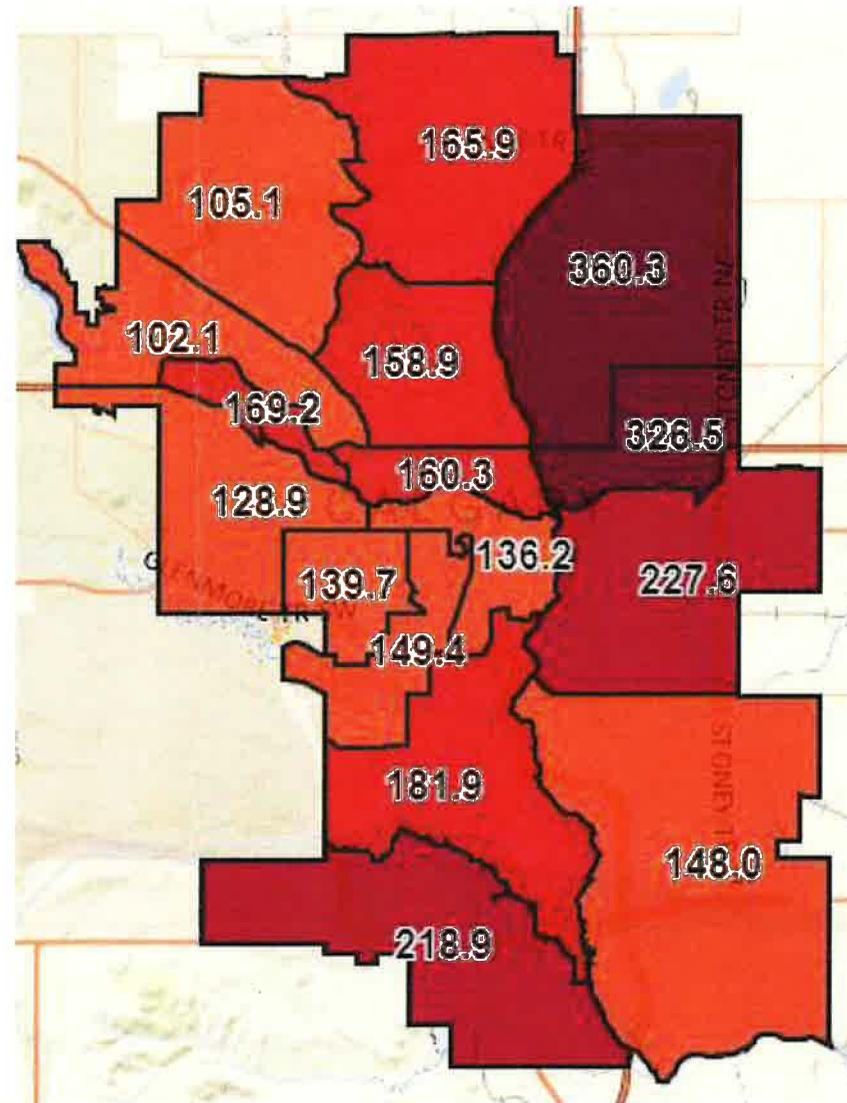
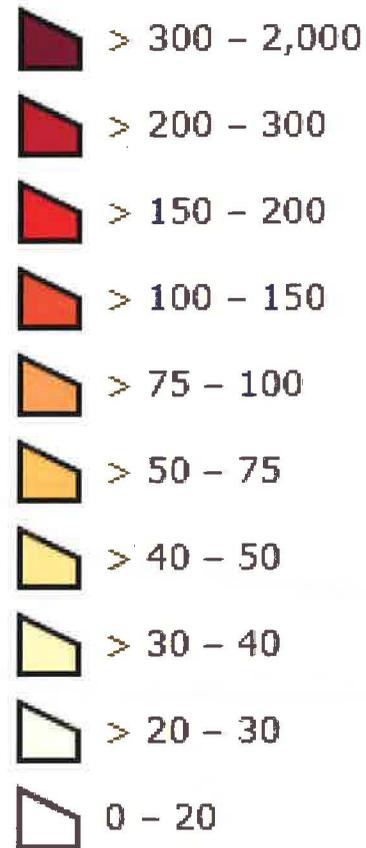
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# COVID-19 Calgary Local Geographic Areas

## AHS Local Geographic Areas - current

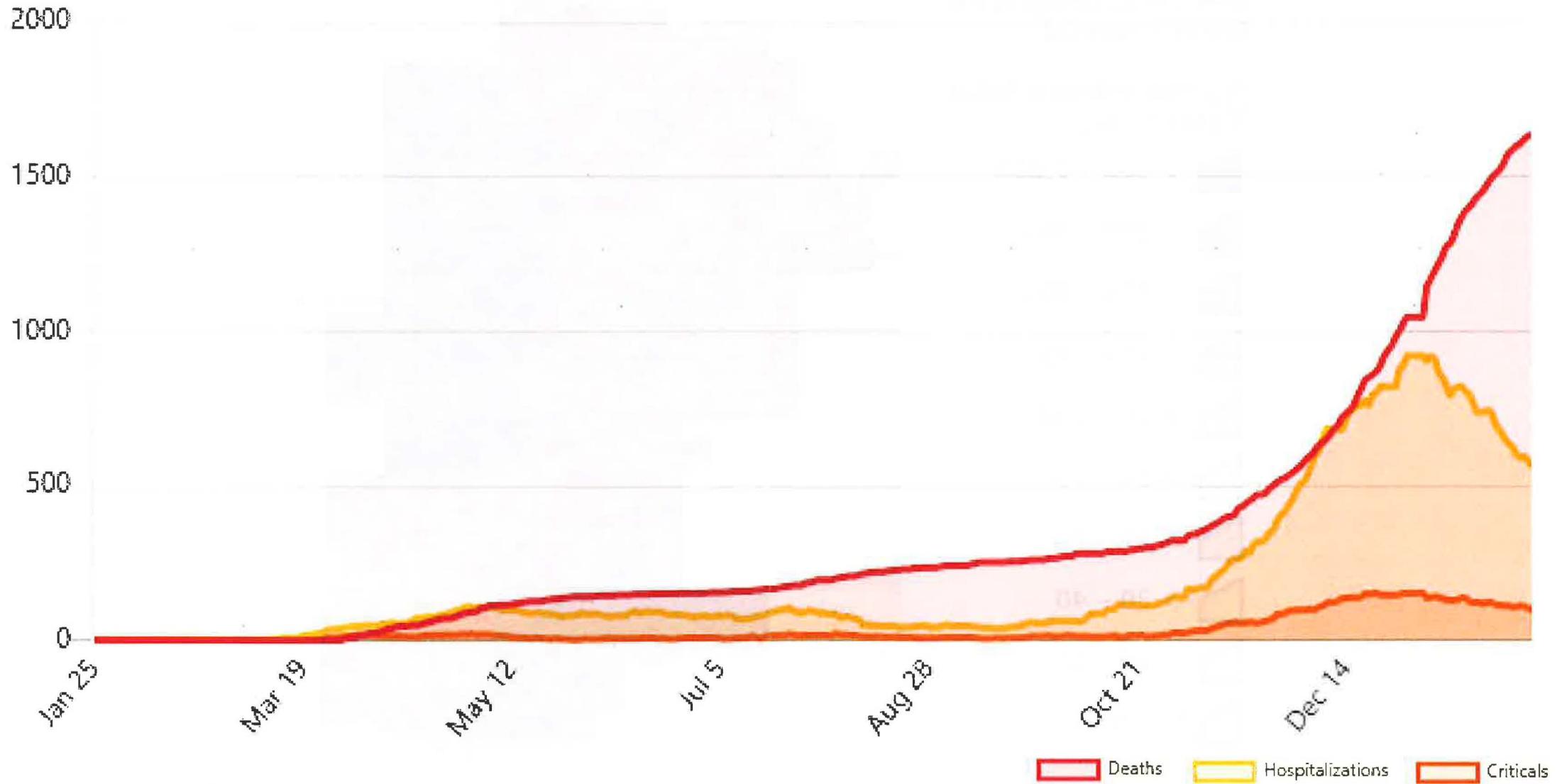
Regional Indicator Value (Cases/100K)



Source: City of Calgary



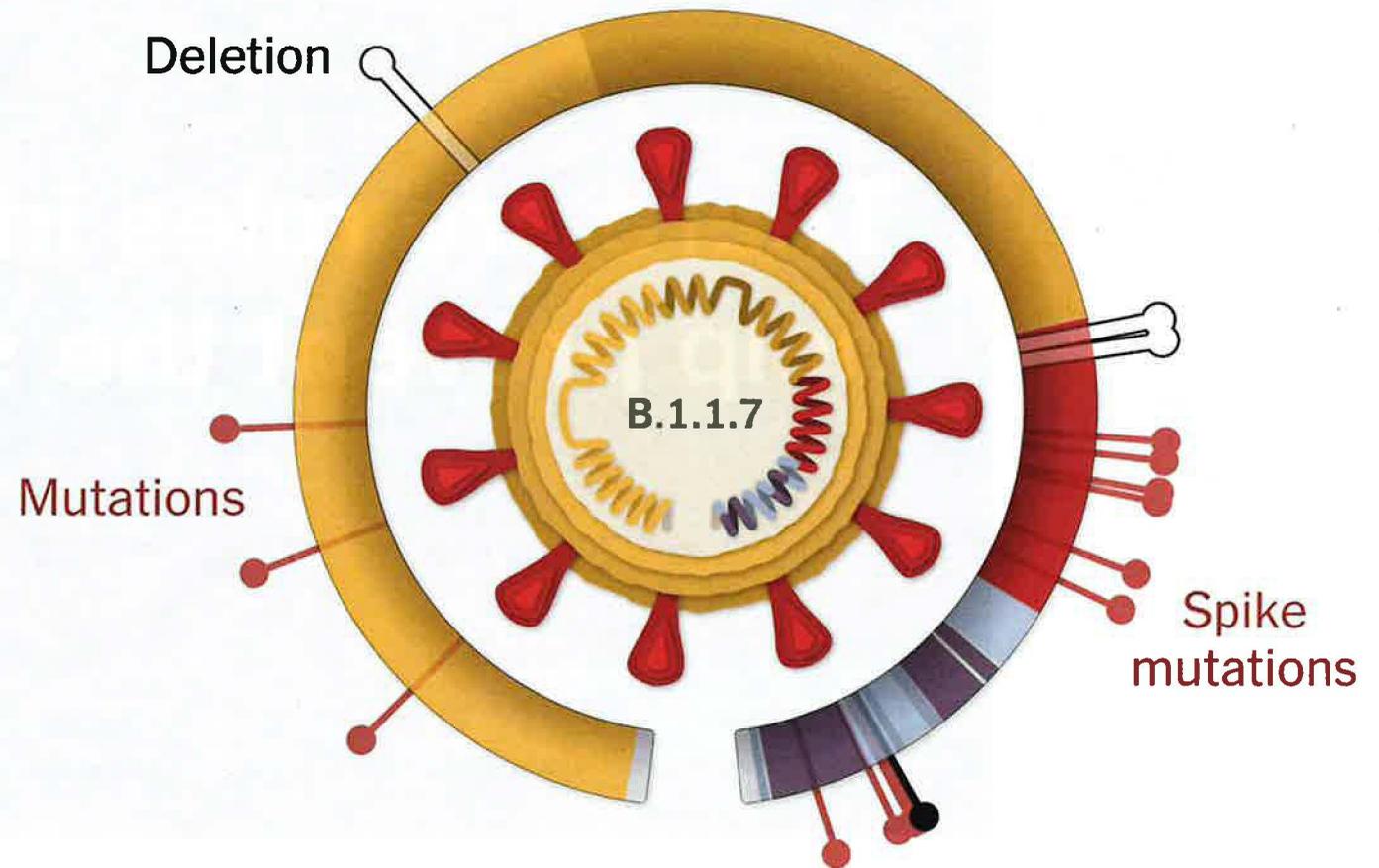
# Alberta Severe Outcomes



Source: <https://covid19tracker.ca/province.html>



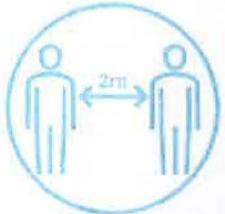
# Emerging COVID-19 Variants



Source: <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2021/health/coronavirus-mutations-B117-variant.html>



# Provincial Restrictions



**There are rules in place to help prevent the spread**

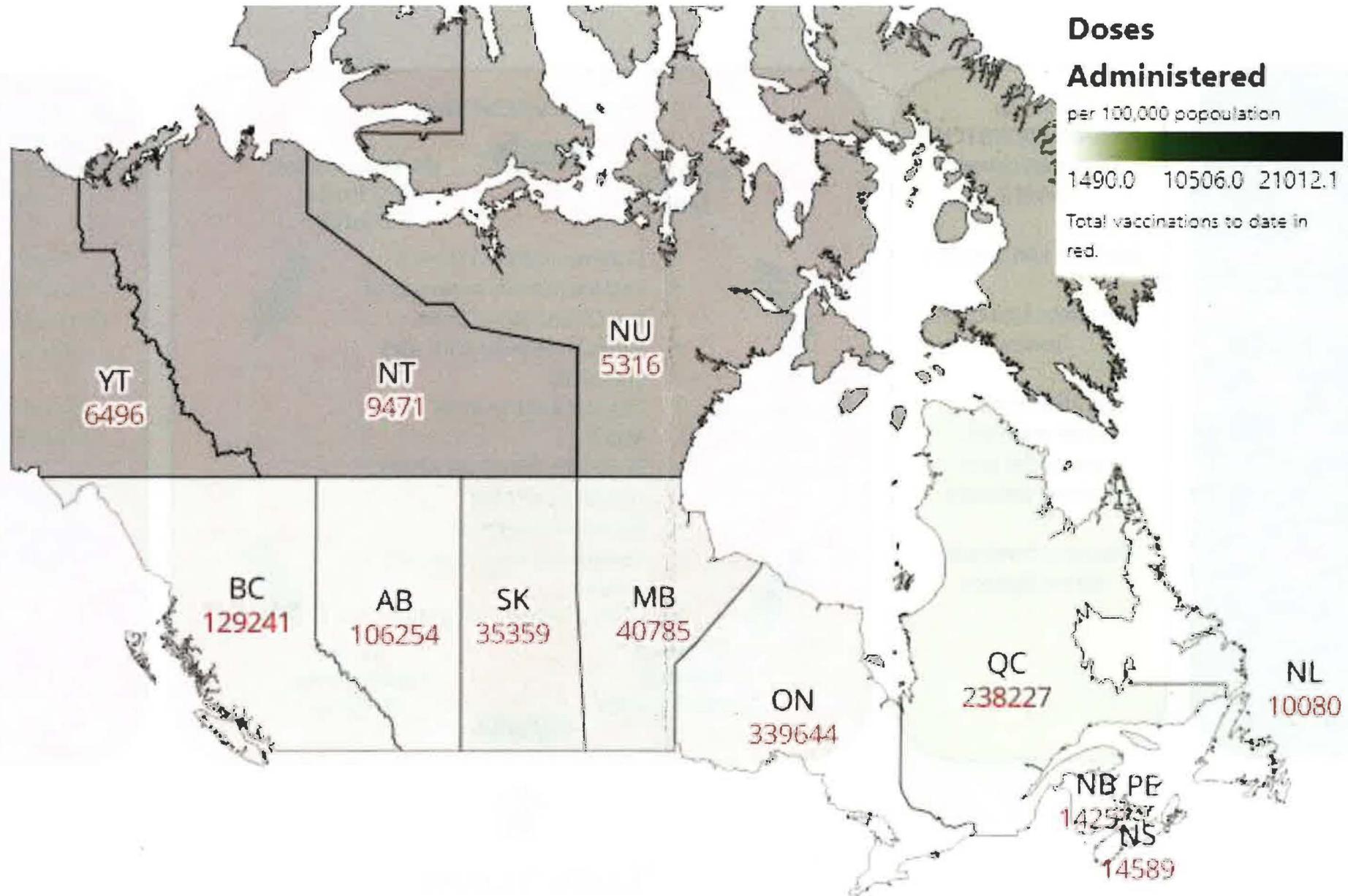
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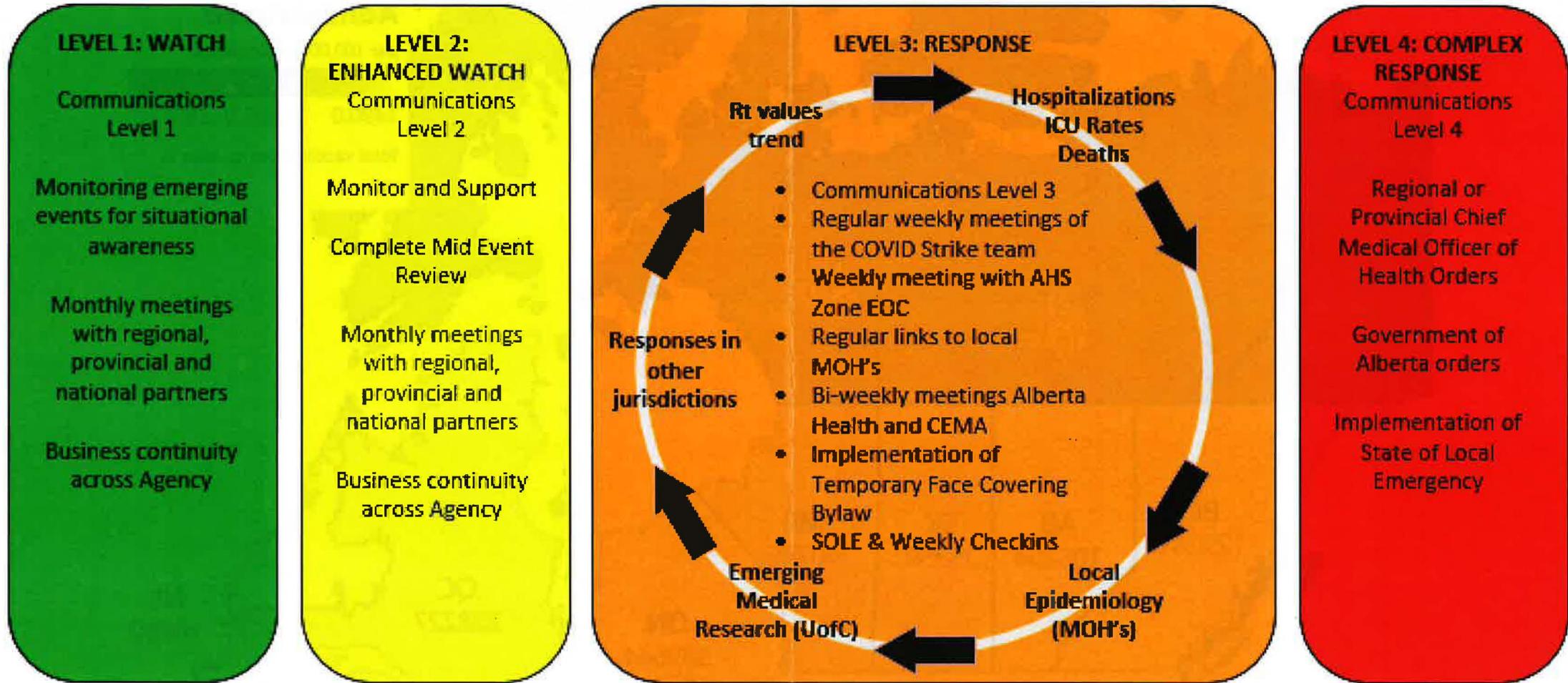
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# Vaccination Update



# Calgary COVID-19 Response Plan



\*Current Level



## Recommendation

That Council receives this verbal report for information