Prairie Band Casino temporarily closing

(KNZA)--The Prairie Band Casino and Resort joins several other casinos across the state that are temporarily closing due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The announcement came in a statement issued Tuesday evening.

The statement said the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Council has directed that all of the tribe's gaming facilities suspend operations as of 11:59 p.m. March 17.

They anticipate re-opening on March 31.

The statement says the company that owns the casino will continue to pay the wages and benefits for full and part-time employees.

The company also plans to issue full refunds to guests that have future hotel reservations.

The statement said the change in operation status is to ensure the safety of their casino patrons, staff and the local community.

During the limited closure, the company plans to thoroughly clean and perform maintenance to the property ensuring the highest quality product and services.

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