

Food and Nutrition
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SUBJECT: Extension Approval of Disaster Household Distribution in Response to the National Emergency Declaration Due to COVID-19

TO: Jesus Mendoza
Regional Administrator
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This memorandum is in response to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development's (AK DEED) request to extend its use of U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Foods to operate disaster household distribution beyond its initial approved end date of April 30, 2020. This request is in response to food assistance needs resulting from the COVID-19 National Emergency declared by the President of the United States on March 13, 2020.

AK DEED requested that USDA extend its initial approval to use USDA Foods from The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), revise its approved foods for disaster household distribution, and increase their estimate to serve up to 30,000 individuals. AK DEED will continue to use the same distribution methods to provide food assistance.

An extension is granted for disaster household distribution beginning May 1, 2020 through May 30, 2020. AK DEED is authorized to use their revised food lists for the disaster household distribution food package to continue to provide food assistance to approximately 30,000 individuals. AK DEED must also follow same Terms of Approval as stated in our original approval letter dated March 31, 2020.



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