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17th ANNUAL HOOD RIVER HOPS FEST CANCELED.

(Hood River, Ore.) - The 17th Annual Hood River Hops Fest, scheduled for September 26th, has been canceled for 2020, organizers for the event announced Thursday. The annual event has been canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the direction of Gov. Brown to cancel events and gatherings larger than 100 people through September 2020.

Hood River Hops Fest, presented each year by [Jacobs](#), is an annual celebration of beer's bitter friend, freshly harvested hops and has been awarded silver medal for best beer festival from the Willamette Week and Oregon Beer Awards. Hood River County is surrounded by world-renowned hop growing regions, and since 2003 brewers have gathered each September in downtown Hood River to share their fresh-hop beer creations. The family-friendly event features more than 40 breweries with more than 60 fresh-hop beers, plus a variety of food vendors, live music, and an awesome collectable mug.

"Our priority is the health and safety of our entire community, as well as the many visitors who were looking forward to this year's event, so we have made the unfortunate but prudent decision to cancel the 2020 Hops Fest," said Kate Schroeder, executive director of the Hood River County Chamber of Commerce. "The Hood River Hops Fest has been a long-time staple event in Hood River and brings both locals and travelers from all over the world. It will be greatly missed this year. We look forward to returning next year to host this special event again in 2021. The Chamber would like to thank all of the sponsors and participants for their continued support despite this unforeseeable cancellation.

ABOUT HOOD RIVER, OREGON:

Located at the crossroads of the spectacular Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area and the magnificent Cascade Range and just an hour from Portland, Hood River is wildly gorge-ous, offering outdoor recreation, dramatic vistas, historic landmarks, bountiful fruit, and fantastic food, wine, beer, and cider. With accommodations ranging from luxury hotels to historic B&Bs, Hood River is a four- season destination for families, outdoor enthusiasts, weddings, corporate events and more. It was named a Top 10 Wine Destination for 2017 by Wine Enthusiast Magazine, and 2015 Best Adventure Town in the West by Sunset magazine. The Hood River County Chamber of Commerce supports economic development, community development, and destination marketing for Hood River, Cascade Locks, Mosier, Odell, Parkdale, Pine Grove and Mount Hood. For more information, call 800-366-3530 or visit visithoodriver.com.