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TO: WLCA Members

RE: Updated Statement from Governor Evers Office - Landscape Businesses as Non-Essential

This morning we received a document that was published by Governor Evers Office addressing several questions and clarifying information regarding his ‘Safer at Home’ order published yesterday.

Unfortunately, there is now very specific language regarding landscape businesses. It states:

**Are landscaping businesses allowed to operate?**

**Landscape businesses are not considered essential businesses or operations. Staff can perform minimum basic operations as defined in the order.**

WLCA would recommend that members follow the order. Obviously, the decision is up to each company on how they want to proceed with their business. There may be some instances where the work is deemed necessary and falls into the “other essential services” portion of Governor Evers original order. At this point in time, WLCA cannot legally recommend that our members go out and start working.

Currently we are reaching out to other sectors of the green industry in Wisconsin to ensure we are sharing a united message with state executives. In addition, we are

working closely with other state associations in sharing information and collecting ideas on how they have approached the “essential business” language with their state executives.

We will continue to keep you updated as we receive additional information.

As always, if you have any questions, please free to contact us at [wlca@wi.twcbc.com](mailto:wlca@wi.twcbc.com) or 262.782.9522. You can also visit our website – [www.findalandscaper.org](http://www.findalandscaper.org) or [www.wisconsinlandscape.org](http://www.wisconsinlandscape.org) where we are posting information as it is received.

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**SAFER AT HOME FAQ**

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