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BOYCE THOMPSON ARBORETUM ANNOUNCES TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS

Visitation to be limited to 400 guests per day

SUPERIOR, Arizona, March 24, 2020 – Boyce Thompson Arboretum (BTA) announced today new, temporary limitations on visitation due to the national state of emergency over COVID-19. The limitations will remain in place until further notice; any changes to this policy will be made in accordance with guidelines from federal, state and local health officials.

The safety of visitors, members, staff and volunteers is of utmost importance, and BTA is adding the following limitations and restrictions to help prevent the spread of the virus:

• Visitation is limited to 400 people per day, first-come, first-served. Members and visitors may make reservations by phone at (520) 689-4546.

• No more than twenty-five (25) guests will be allowed entry each half-hour. The Arboretum is open daily from 8 am to 5 pm. Last entry is at 4 pm.

• Public bathrooms will be closed. Portable toilets are available. All buildings, including the Visitor’s Center and gift shop, will be closed.

• Anyone exhibiting symptoms of flu, cold or viral infection will not be admitted.

The Arboretum’s leadership will continue to monitor the situation and make informed decisions based on information released by trusted sources, including the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, World Health Organization and Arizona Department of Health Services.

All walks, tours, activities, events, and programs are cancelled until further notice. Boyce Thompson Arboretum encourages all community members to follow the advice of the CDC when choosing whether to visit any outdoor venue.

Updates and other content will be available online at www.btarboretum.org and via social media (@btarboretum).

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