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Alpine Canada and Provincial Partners Cancel all Domestic Events

Calgary AB, (March 12, 2020) - Due to ongoing and evolving concerns surrounding the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), Alpine Canada, in consultation with its provincial and territorial partners, recommends the cancellation of all domestic ski races planned for the remainder of the ski season.

In keeping with health advisories from the Government of Canada and the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), and after consulting with medical professionals, we are prioritizing the health and safety of our community, fans, athletes, staff, and volunteers involved in these events.

"We know that this decision will impact many racers, families, resorts and organizers who have put so much time and effort preparing," said Vania Grandi, President and CEO of Alpine Canada. "The health and safety of our athletes, volunteers and community must come first and for this reason we have jointly made this difficult decision."

Decisions regarding training programs will be taken by each of the provincial and territorial organizations.

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About Alpine Canada

Alpine Canada is the governing body for alpine, para-alpine and ski cross racing in Canada, as well as for Canadian ski coaches, providing education, certification, insurance and compliance with the coaching code of conduct. With the support of valued corporate partners and donors, along with the Government of Canada, Own the Podium, the Canadian Olympic Committee and the Coaching Association of Canada, Alpine Canada develops Olympic, Paralympic, World Championship and World Cup athletes to stimulate visibility, inspiration and growth in the ski community. In 2020, Alpine Canada celebrates 100 years of rich tradition in competitive skiing in Canada.

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