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California to loosen reopening tier requirements as more vaccines reach vulnerable areas

State officials are doubling down on their efforts to vaccinate underserved zip codes in the state and say that equitable vaccine administration will help reopen the state sooner. The state has laid out a pathway toward reopening restaurants at 25% and 50% capacity. **The CRA has advocated for a pathway toward a safe, full reopening of the state's restaurants.**

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