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For Immediate Release

Taos County Implements Ban on the Sale and Use of Fireworks

Taos County has implemented a ban on the use and sale of fireworks within Taos County due to extreme risk of fire.

Areas Effected:

All areas of unincorporated Taos County will be subject to the fireworks ban.

***Excluded Areas:** All Municipalities are excluded within their city limits; these include The Town of Taos, Village of Questa, Town of Red River, and Taos Ski Valley.*

What is Prohibited:

- **THE USE OF ANY TYPE OF FIREWORK IS PROHIBITED:** The use of any type of fireworks is prohibited per Taos County Resolution 2022-36 which was approved on June 7th 2022 by The Taos County Board of Commissioners in accordance with NMSA 1978, Section 60-2C-1.
- **THE SALE OR DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS IS PROHIBITED:** The sale or display of fireworks is prohibited per Taos County Resolution 2022-36 which was approved on June 7th 2022 by the Taos County Board of County Commissioners in accordance with NMSA 1978, Section 60-2C-1.

Violations:

Any individual, firm, partnership, business, or other entity found violating the Taos County fireworks ban will have the fireworks confiscated and destroyed.

In addition to the above action, any individual, firm, partnership, business, or other entity found violating the Taos County fireworks ban shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction may be punished by imprisonment for up to one (1) year, or a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), or both per NMSA 1978, Section 60-2C-10.

Time Frame: This ban will be in effect for 30 days and may be reenacted after 30 days.

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