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COUNTY OF WARD §

ORDER PROHIBITING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF WARD COUNTY, TEXAS

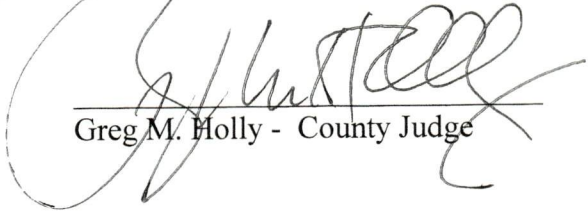
WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in Ward County; and

WHEREAS, on the 11th day of December, 2023, the Commissioners Court of Ward County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Ward County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing;


NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of Ward County adopts this Order prohibiting the sale or use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Ward County.

- A. No person may sell, detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R. part. 173.100(r)(2) (10-1-86 edition) as “skyrockets with sticks” and “missiles with fins” in any portion of the unincorporated area of Ward County.
- B. This Order does not prohibit “permissible fireworks” as authorized in Occupations Code Section 2154.003(a).
- C. No person may detonate, ignite or in any way use fireworks in any portion of the unincorporated area of Ward County except with permission of the landowner.
- D. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is a Class C Misdemeanor.
- E. This order expires on the date the Texas Forest Service determines that drought conditions no longer exist in Ward County.

APPROVED THIS THE 11th DAY OF December, 2023, BY THE WARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.



Greg M. Holly - County Judge

Attest:


Denise Valles, County Clerk