

**SANTA FE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 078**

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**A RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM EXTREME OR SEVERE DROUGHT CONDITIONS  
WITHIN SANTA FE COUNTY AND TO BAN THE SALE AND USE OF CERTAIN  
FIREWORKS IN THE UNINCORPORATED PORTIONS OF THE COUNTY AND  
WITHIN WILDLANDS IN THE COUNTY**

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**WHEREAS**, as of June 3, 2024, New Mexico is experiencing two (2) or more wild fires, including the Indios and Blue 2 fires; and

**WHEREAS**, current drought indices published by the United States National Integrated Drought Information System and the United States Forest Service further indicates extreme or severe drought conditions;

**WHEREAS**, an immediate and present danger of range fires, brush fires, grass fires, forest fires and structure fires exists within Santa Fe County due to persistent drought;

**WHEREAS**, current fire conditions such as low humidity, high temperature, dry weather, wind, and fire fuel moisture content have resulted in conditions of extreme risk of fires;

**WHEREAS**, given these circumstances, the probability of ignition of materials and the spread of fire pose a severe threat to persons and property;

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety and welfare of citizens are in danger as a result of such conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, NMSA 1978, 60-2C-8.1(E) (1999), et seq., provides that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Santa Fe may declare that extreme or severe drought conditions exist, and proclaim certain restrictions on the sale and use of fireworks.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners hereby resolves and proclaims as follows:

1. There currently exists within the unincorporated portions of Santa Fe County extreme or severe drought conditions, creating extreme fire conditions causing an immediate and significant threat to the life, safety, health and welfare of residents of Santa Fe County, and to public and private property located within the County.
2. The sale and use of missile-type rockets, helicopters, aerial spinners, stick-type rockets and ground audible devices are banned within the affected drought area, which includes all unincorporated portions of Santa Fe County.
3. The use of permissible fireworks, not listed in Paragraph 2 above, is limited to areas that are paved or barren or have a readily accessible source of water for use by the homeowner or general public.

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4. The use of all fireworks within wildlands in Santa Fe County is banned, the State Forester having been consulted as required by state statute and having concurred with such ban.
5. The sale and use of display fireworks are banned within the unincorporated portions of Santa Fe County.
6. This Resolution shall be effective for 30 days from the date below, but may be reissued if severe or extreme drought conditions warrant. Further, this Resolution may be modified or rescinded within the 30 days of the effective date if the Board of County Commissioners, after conducting an emergency hearing, determines that weather conditions have improved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED ON THIS 11th DAY OF JUNE, 2024.**

**SANTA FE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

By: *Hank Hughes*  
Hank Hughes, Chair



**ATTEST:**  
*Katharine E. Clark*  
Katharine E. Clark  
Santa Fe County Clerk

Date: 06/13/2024

**Approved as to form:**

*Michael Nunez for*  
Jeff Young  
Santa Fe County Attorney

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COUNTY OF SANTA FE            )  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO        ) ss

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I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 13TH Day Of June, 2024 at 01:59:32 PM And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 2035693 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office  
Katharine E. Clark  
Deputy *Celeste Garcia* County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

