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COUNTY OF BREWSTER

## ORDER PROHIBITING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF BREWSTER COUNTY, TEXAS

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

WHEREAS, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2023, the Commissioners Court of BREWSTER County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of BREWSTER County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of BREWSTER County adopts this Order prohibiting the sale or use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of BREWSTER 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 BREWSTER County.
- B. This Order does not prohibit:
  - 1. common fireworks, small in size classified as Class C explosives;
  - 2. large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by Combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Trans. [TEX.OCC.CODE, Chapter 2154]
- C. 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.
- D. This order expires on the date the Texas Forest Service determines drought conditions no longer exist in the county or July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, whichever is earlier.

APPROVED THIS THE 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2023, BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BREWSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

Brewster County Judge

Brewster County Clerk

Attest: