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RESOLUTION #2020-21

A RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM EXTREME OR SEVERE DROUGHT CONDITIONS WITHIN COLFAX COUNTY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 60-2C-8.1, NMSA 1978, a part of the Fireworks Licensing and Safety Act, the governing body of a county may issue a proclamation declaring extreme or severe drought conditions within the unincorporated portion of the county affected by extreme or severe drought conditions, and

WHEREAS, on June 15th, New Mexico Governor Michell Lujan Grisham issued Executive order 2020-40 Declaring a drought and severe fire conditions throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the Colfax County Commission recognizes County residents love and dedication to stewardship and lateral resource preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Colfax County Commission finds that the most recent National Integrated Drought Information System report indicates that Colfax county is experiencing EXTREME OR SEVERE drought conditions, and

WHEREAS, the Colfax County Commission further finds that the most recent NOAA/NCDC Palmer Long Term Drought Indices Conditions show Severe or Extreme drought conditions for Colfax County, and

WHEREAS, the danger of range, brush, grass, forest and structure fires is extremely high in Colfax County, and

WHEREAS, current fire conditions such as low humidity, weather and fuel content make fire immediate and potentially disastrous possibility, and

WHEREAS, Colfax County resources are currently stretched as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic; and

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

WHEREAS, the discharge or use of fireworks and, in particular, the discharge or use of fireworks that are not under the absolute and complete control of the persons using them and retained within an area where there are no combustible materials of any sort whatsoever,

is likely to cause the ignition of a fire that could cause death, injury or serious property damage within the County,

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEREBY RESOLVES AND PROCLAIMS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Colfax County Fire Marshall has issued a fire ban throughout Colfax County.
2. The use of missile-type rockets, helicopters, aerial spinners, stick-type rockets and ground audible devices are discouraged within the affected drought area which shall include all unincorporated portions of Colfax County.
3. This Resolution and Proclamation shall be effective for 30 days from the date below but may be reissued if extreme or severe drought conditions warrant. Further, this Resolution and Proclamation may be modified or rescinded within the 30 days of their effectiveness if the Board of County Commissioners determines that weather conditions have improved.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 22nd of June 2020.


COLFAX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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ATTEST:



Rayetta M. Trujillo
RAYETTA M. TRUJILLO, CLERK OF THE BOARD

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