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TO: Warm Springs Community for a safe 4th of July

FROM: Tribal Council and COVID-19 Team

Per Tribal Council requesting guidelines from the COVID-19 Team for a safe 4th of July. We would like to thank the Community for their patience with the COVID-19 virus and the water issues. Many normal activities for families and the community had to be canceled and we understand the stress this has caused. The lack of water and high fire potential is requiring us to contain the 4th of July event to the Community Center only. We are discouraging the lighting of fireworks from residences, the Long House parking lots, the campus, and Indian Health Services parking lot. Fire Management can't cover the whole reservation in case of fire. Wearing masks is important to contain the virus from spreading. We need to take this seriously as number of cases continue to increase.

Given the complexity of the water situation, we can't say for certain when the water issues will be resolved. We are making the following recommendations to enjoy July 4th event. The safety of our community is a priority for all. In order to make this happen we need your cooperation and support. Thank you!

TIPS TO HAVE A SAFE 4th OF JULY EVENT:

- Bring your personal fireworks to the Community Center parking lot.
- Don't be surprised if officers ask you to bring your Fireworks to Community Center if you are out in other areas.
- Adult supervision is required.
- Remain in your vehicle if possible.
- Social distance a minimum of 6 feet if outside of vehicle.
- Wear mask if outside of your vehicle.
- Bring water with you. If you have a fire extinguisher, bring it with you.
- Properly dispose of fireworks in water first.
- Clean up after yourselves. Please don't leave trash behind.
- Do not allow children to wander near the main fireworks display.

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