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Dear Residents of Farr West City,

Pursuant to Governor Cox's Executive Order 2026-04 and the Utah State Forester's Order dated July 20, 2026, Farr West City and the Weber Fire District have jointly notified the State Forester of the prohibition on the discharge of all consumer fireworks throughout Farr West City during the remainder of July 2026. Copies of both orders are attached for your reference.

After careful consultation with the Farr West City Council, City staff, fellow mayors throughout Weber County, and Weber Fire District Fire Chief Britt Clark, we have made the difficult decision to continue the citywide prohibition on consumer fireworks within the municipal boundaries of Farr West City for the remainder of July.

This restriction applies to all consumer fireworks throughout the City. It does not apply to professional fireworks displays that are properly licensed by the Utah State Fire Marshal Division and permitted by the Weber Fire District.

This decision was not made lightly. It is based on a combination of prolonged drought conditions, critically low soil and vegetation moisture, cured grasses and other highly combustible fuels, current and forecasted weather conditions, significant wildland-urban interface exposure, limited firefighting resources, and the potential for multiple simultaneous human-caused fires.

The devastating fire in Roy yesterday serves as a sobering reminder of the risks we currently face. What began as a single fire quickly spread into a residential neighborhood, destroying three homes, damaging several others, and forcing approximately 200 residents to evacuate. The incident required additional firefighting resources from neighboring Davis County because local resources were already stretched thin. It demonstrated just how quickly a seemingly small ignition can become a destructive community emergency under current conditions.

Farr West City contains thousands of acres of agricultural land, open fields, undeveloped parcels, dry vegetation, and residential neighborhoods situated immediately adjacent to these fuels. A single fire starting in one of these open areas has the potential to spread rapidly, threatening homes, farms, agricultural buildings, businesses, critical infrastructure, and, most importantly, lives.

Based on the current fire conditions, ignition potential, weather forecasts, available firefighting resources, and the potentially devastating consequences of a rapidly spreading wildfire, Chief Clark and I have concluded that allowing personal fireworks at this time presents an unreasonable and preventable risk to life and property.

I know this decision is disappointing for many of our residents, and I sincerely apologize for the inconvenience. Like many of you, I look forward to celebrating with family and friends, and I enjoy fireworks just as much as anyone. My hope is that we can look ahead to safer opportunities to celebrate together, perhaps even with an enhanced New Year's Eve celebration later this year.

Until conditions improve, we respectfully ask for your patience, understanding, and cooperation. By working together and making this temporary sacrifice, we can help protect our homes, our families, our firefighters, our farms, our businesses, and our community.

Thank you for doing your part to help keep Farr West safe.

God bless Farr West City.

Sincerely,

David P. Bolos
Mayor, Farr West City