

# **TOWN OF EDGEWOOD**

## ***RESOLUTION NO. 2016-08***

### **A RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM EXTREME OR SEVERE DROUGHT CONDITIONS WITHIN THE TOWN OF EDGEWOOD AND TO BAN THE SALE AND USE OF CERTAIN FIREWORKS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN AND ITS WILDLANDS**

**WHEREAS**, NMSA 1978, 60-2C-8.1 (1999), et seq., provides that the Town Council of the Town of Edgewood may, after hearing, declare that extreme or severe drought conditions exist, and proclaim certain restrictions on the sale and use of fireworks;

**WHEREAS**, the Town held a hearing on June 20, 2016 to determine whether extreme or severe drought conditions exist; and

**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 fire fuel levels and drought and other conditions;

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

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

**WHEREAS**, current drought indices published by the National Weather Service and/or other relevant information supplied by the United States Forest Service further indicate extreme or severe drought conditions creating the risk of wildfires;

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

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Town Council of Edgewood Council hereby resolves and proclaims as follows:

1. There currently exists within the incorporated boundaries of the Town of Edgewood extreme or severe drought conditions, creating a significant and immediate threat due to wildfires to the life, safety, health and welfare of residents of the Town of Edgewood, and to public and private property located within the Town.
2. The sale and use of missile-type rockets, helicopters, aerial spinners, stick-type rockets and ground audible devices are banned within the incorporated portions of the Town of Edgewood.
3. The use of 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.

4. The use of all fireworks within wildlands in the Town of Edgewood is banned, the State Forester having been consulted as required by statute and having concurred with such ban.
5. The sale and use of display fireworks are banned within the incorporated portions of the Town of Edgewood.
6. This Resolution and Proclamation shall be effective for thirty (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 thirty (30) day effective period if the Town Council, after conducting an emergency hearing, determines that weather conditions have improved.

APPROVED, ADOPTED AND PASSED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

  
John Bassett, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Juan Torres, Clerk/Treasurer