# PRESS RELEASE



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### City of Milton-Freewater

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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### EXTREME HOT TEMPERATURES & FIREWORKS

Due to unusually hot temperatures and dry conditions, the City of Milton-Freewater is asking for your assistance and help with regards to the use of fireworks. With the growing concern of fires due to the extreme heat our concern is elevated with the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July and the use of fireworks. In Oregon, any "firework" that actually explodes with a LOUD BANG, shoots into the air, or moves more than six feet across the ground is unlawful.

## The City is under a burn ban per our Fire Chief, which went into effect June 21, 2021 so setting off fireworks violates this rule.

Please do not call 911 to report fireworks use. It is very important that our 911 lines be kept open for emergencies only. The police department non-emergency phone number is 541-938-5511.