

Emmons County Emergency Management 100 4th St NW Linton, ND 58552 (701) 222-6727

FIREWORKS BAN for

EMMONS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

June 18, 2021

WHEREAS, the Emmons County Commission previously declared a Fire Emergency and Burn Ban tied to the daily Fire Danger Rating on March 3 2021; and

WHEREAS, drought for Emmons County has intensified to Extreme Drought (D3) and has experienced high winds, as well as continued, forecast dry weather conditions; and

WHEREAS, several rural fires have occurred due to current conditions and the discharge of private fireworks and lanterns within Emmons County could cause additional fires; and

WHEREAS, all available resources remain committed to protecting life and property; and

WHEREAS, the impact of fires could threaten the health, well-being, and safety of citizens in Emmons County; and

WHEREAS, the cost of response and the inordinate equipment wear may be far in excess of available County resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Emmons County Commissioner declares a ban on the use of fireworks and lanterns in Emmons County effective immediately, regardless of the ND Fire Danger Index.

THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF THIS BURN BAN IS A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR (NDCC 37-17.1-10.1: MAXIMUM SENTENCE OF 30 DAYS IN JAIL AND \$1,500 FINE).

DATED at Linton, North Dakota this 18th of June, 2021.

Leonard Weichel, Chairperson Emmons County Commission