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Hesperia Police conducting Enforcement Operation targeting illegal fireworks thru July $\mathbf{4}^{\text{th}}$

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HESPERIA, Calif. (VVNG.com) — The Hesperia Sheriff's Station is reminding the public that all fireworks are illegal in the city of Hesperia.

Multiple deputies with the Hesperia Station, in conjunction with Investigators from the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department, Office of the Fire Marshall, will be conducting numerous proactive, illegal fireworks enforcement and patrol operations leading up to and including the Fourth of July holiday.

Violators contacted in the city in possession of or discharging fireworks of any kind are subject to significant city municipal code fines, criminal citation, and possible arrest.

Hesperia City officials said fireworks are a significant safety hazard and can result in a \$1250 fine for the first offense.

To report the illegal use of fireworks in your neighborhood, please call dispatch at 760-956-5001 and as always, dial 911 for emergencies.

https://www.vvng.com/hesperia-police-conducting-an-enforcement-operation-targeting-illegal-fireworks-thru-july-4th/

YFD returns from 'Sheep Fire'

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Imperial Valley Strike Team provides aid to San Bernardino County

YUMA, Ariz. (KYMA/KECY) - Four Yuma firefighters are back home after providing aid to California first responders in San Bernardino during the "Sheep fire".

The fire just northeast of Los Angeles sparked on June 11. Within 24 hours, a strike team from the Desert Southwest was deployed to the area. The strike team performed a triage of neighborhoods near Wrightwood to determine which homes could be saved.

"The next day we were assigned mop-up closer to the fire, what we call the 'black area,' it's already been burned. Gettin' hotspots, makin' sure there was no progression of the fire past the fire lines," says Yuma Fire Department Captain Gary Welch.

The Yuma Fire Department (YFD) says it's ready at a moment's notice for situations like this.

"It's usually two or three times a year that there's a mutual aid request. Normally, from California," explains Yuma Fire Department Public Information Officer Mike Erfert. YFD says these four firefighters are trained and always prepared.

"They know if there is a mutual aid response that it's going to be them and that's a captain an engineer and two firefighters," says Erfert.

Erfert says the specialized team continuously goes through a certification process and maintains what's called a "red card" indicating they're qualified to fight wildland fires.

When the Imperial Valley Strike Team left San Bernardino, the fire was about 91% contained.

The fire was fully contained as of June 21.

https://kyma.com/news/top-stories/2022/06/21/yfd-returns-from-sheep-fire/

VIDEO: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E9GyN-YETp4&t=240s

Mohave Valley, AZ: Vegetation fire burning near residential structures off Lead Way near Queens Road

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Mohave Valley, Arizona: A vegetation fire is burning near residential structures off Lead Way near Queens Road. The fire was reported as a structure fire just before 4:00 p.m. MST on Tuesday, June 21st, 2022. Smoke from the fire was seen all the way across the Colorado River in Needles, California.

ZachNews Photojournalist Zachary Lopez captured on camera this picture of the smoke from the fire after being alerted by Needles Assistant City Manager Patrick Martinez about the fire well getting ready for the regular meeting of the Needles Board of Public Utilities that was being held today inside the Needles City Council Chambers.

Firefighters from Mohave Valley Fire Department and **San Bernardino County Fire** District in Needles, California responded to the location to find vegetation on fire, no structure but the vegetation field was burning surrounded on three sides residential structures.

Neighbors were seen getting water hoses and shovel putting water and dirt onto the fire as firefighters rolled out their water hoses and began putting out the fire burning vegetation that neighbors say been there for a while.

Deputies from the Mohave County Sheriff's Office and Fort Mohave Tribe Police were spotted patrolling the area as well as closing Lead Way and Queens Road during the incident.

As of 4:49 p.m. MST, firefighters have gotten the fire out and were in mop up, and Lead Way was reopened but motorists should still drive cautiously through the area. The cause of the vegetation fire is under investigation.

Fire department officials tell ZachNews that the public should be very careful with anything that could catch the dry vegetation of the desert on fire, especially during the excessive heat of the summer, this includes not discarding lit cigarettes out into the open, making sure chains are not dragging causing sparks along roadways when carrying loads on trailers, and not burning or sitting off fireworks during No Burn alerts.

Thanks to all the firefighters paramedics volunteer emergency personnel and law enforcement as well as neighbors helping neighbors during this vegetation fire incident.

 $\underline{https://zachnews.net/2022/06/21/breaking-news-mohave-valley-az-vegetation-fire-burning-near-residential-structures-\underline{off-lead-way-near-queens-road/}$