

GEORGIA FORESTRY  
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# News Release

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## **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS** **FOURTH OF JULY FIRE RISK**

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### **ANNOUNCER:**

THE FOURTH OF JULY IS ALMOST HERE, WHICH USUALLY MEANS CELEBRATIONS THAT INCLUDE FIREWORKS. BUT AS YOU KNOW, GEORGIA HAS JUST RECORDED ITS WORST WILDFIRE SEASON IN HISTORY...AND, DESPITE SCATTERED RAINFALL, WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF A SERIOUS DROUGHT. AS THE GEORGIA FORESTRY COMMISSION WORKS TO PROTECT PEOPLE AND PROPERTY FROM WILDFIRE, WE URGE YOU TO "FOLLOW THE LOCAL LEAD." IT'S SAFEST TO ENJOY PUBLIC FIREWORKS DISPLAYS STAGED OVER LAKES OR PARKING LOTS. IF CONDITIONS ARE TOO DRY IN YOUR AREA AND LOCAL DISPLAYS ARE CANCELLED, CONSIDER BACK-YARD FIREWORKS A DEFINITE NO-GO FOR THIS YEAR. YOU CAN PINPOINT YOUR FIRE RISK BY CALLING YOUR LOCAL GEORGIA FORESTRY COMMISSION OFFICE OR FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND FOR MORE INFORMATION ON FIRE SAFETY, LOG ON TO W-W-W-DOT-G-A-TREES-DOT-ORG.

THIS YEAR, "FOLLOW THE LOCAL LEAD" WITH FIREWORKS. GEORGIA'S FORESTS ARE TOO PRECIOUS TO LOSE.

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### **ANNOUNCER:**

THE FOURTH OF JULY AND FIREWORKS USUALLY GO HAND IN HAND. BUT GEORGIA HAS JUST RECORDED ITS WORST-EVER WILDFIRE SEASON AND WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF A DROUGHT. THIS YEAR, THE GEORGIA FORESTRY COMMISSION URGES YOU TO "FOLLOW THE LOCAL LEAD." IT'S SAFEST TO ENJOY PUBLIC FIREWORKS DISPLAYS. AND IF LOCAL FIREWORKS ARE CANCELLED, IT'S DEFINITELY TOO DRY FOR BACKYARD FIREWORKS, TOO. CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL GEORGIA FORESTRY COMMISSION OFFICE OR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND "FOLLOW THE LOCAL LEAD." GEORGIA'S FORESTS ARE TOO PRECIOUS TO LOSE.

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