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FIREWORKS NOT ALLOWED OUTSIDE GRIDLEY OR OROVILLE

District Attorney Mike Ramsey reminded the public today that **any** possession of **fireworks**, even those designated as "**safe and sane**," within the unincorporated portions of Butte County is **illegal** and strictly **prohibited**. Ramsey noted that only the cities of Oroville and Gridley allow for the sales of "safe and sane" fireworks within their city limits.

Ramsey noted that any lighting or even possession of any fireworks **outside those city limits** is illegal and subject to fines upwards of a **$1000** and six months in county **jail**. With the extreme fire danger this year, any possession in the county area will be vigorously prosecuted.

"Do not buy fireworks within the city and believe that just because they are designated as "safe and sane" that they can be taken out of the city. **No such fireworks can leave the city limits**," Ramsey said.

Ramsey also warned that any fire either intentionally or negligently set by fireworks would be prosecuted as a felony.

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