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Town July 4th Fireworks to go on as planned

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CHINO VALLEY, AZ- Following two years of cancelled shows, the Town of Chino Valley, AZ announced that it is eager to provide a spectacular fireworks display for its Fourth of July Celebration next month at Community Center Park and is moving forward with those plans.

On June 13, 2019 Town leadership met with local first responders as well as Kendon Victor, the Pyro Planning Specialist for [Fireworks Production of Arizona](#), the company contracted to put on the fireworks show. After the meeting and a walk through of the proposed launch site, Mayor Darryl Croft stated that barring any unforeseen incidents or hazardous wind events on July 4, 2019, the celebration and fireworks are a go.

“We certainly want a 4th of July celebration this year and are really looking forward to bringing the fireworks back to the Town of Chino Valley,” said Croft following a walkthrough of the area. “It really looks good for us; we’re going to come in and do some cleanup and watering of the area. We will be in continued talks with the Fire Marshal up to and including the day of the celebration to make sure conditions are safe.”

“Our concern during any sort of fireworks celebration of course is the safety of the public,” said Andie Smith, Assistant Fire Marshal with CAFMA, who was present at the meeting. Smith mentioned several concerns that have led to the cancelation of fireworks in recent years including high winds, lack of moisture in the months leading up to July 4th events, as well as active incidents that were going on in the region, stretching the limits of not only CAFMA staff, but first responders throughout the county.

“Fortunately, this year we’re not in fire restrictions yet and we’re optimistic about this Fourth of July celebration,” added Smith. She cautioned that conditions in the area have been known to change on a daily basis and encourages the public to stay alert to any restrictions and warnings as provided by various agencies, including [CAFMA](#), the [Prescott National Forest](#), and the [Prescott Fire Department](#).

“We are Arizona’s only full-time fireworks company, so we spend a lot of time with the local fire and police departments as well as the people in the local communities,” said Victor, whose company is contracted to put on nearly 100 pyrotechnics shows during this year’s July 4th week. “We look at each site to determine what’s the safety factor, what are the concerns, and then we work with the towns and cities to make sure everyone has a great celebration.”

The Town’s July 4th Celebration is scheduled for Thursday July 4th, and in addition to the firework show will include live music by local band [Alter Ego](#) and free entry to the Town’s Aquatic Center.

More information on the free event, including parking maps, other vendor attractions and services, and event schedules will be provided as they become available.

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