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CITY OF LAKEPORT PREPARES FOR 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION:

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As the City of Lakeport prepares for the annual 4th of July Celebration. City Staff would like to provide some general and safety information.

During the celebration, the following roadways will be closed to vehicular traffic: All of Park Street from the south side of Third Street to the north side of First Street, and Second Street from the east side of North Main Street to Park Street.

City Hall will be a manned Operational Command Center for this event.

The locations for the use of SAFE and SANE fireworks only will be as follows: A small area of the public parking lot, immediately adjacent to the southeast corner of Coach Craft which will be clearly delineated by orange cones/delineators, and any street within the incorporated area of Lakeport which does not violate any City of Lakeport ordinance. In years past it was not uncommon to have SAFE and SANE fireworks in the Safeway, Kmart, High Street and Shoreline Centers and the Vista Point parking lot. However, these areas are private property and law enforcement does not have the authority to grant permission for such activities. The use of any type of firework other than SAFE and SANE is a violation of both local and state law.

The days and hours for the legal discharge of SAFE and SANE fireworks are as follows: July 1st, 2nd and 3rd from 9 am to 10 pm, and July 4th from 9 am to 11 pm, only. The discharge of legal SAFE and SANE fireworks outside of these days and times is a violation of local ordinance.

All drivers are asked to please use the utmost of care and diligence in your travels at all times while in the City of Lakeport during the 4th of July celebration as there will be a heavy amount of foot traffic, especially small children and the elderly.

**Brad Rasmussen
Chief of Police**