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PRESS RELEASE

Releasing Officer: Sergeant Thomas N. O'Neal
Date/Time of Event: July 6, 2019
Location of Event: City of Fort Bragg
Event: Fireworks Display-Noyo Beach

CIRCUMSTANCES:

This press release is intended to notify and remind the public of the special considerations related to the area of Noyo Beach and North Noyo Harbor (see attached map) during the City of Fort Bragg Fireworks Display scheduled for Saturday July 6, 2019.

For this year's celebration, Police Officers will be deployed directly on Noyo Beach and in the surrounding areas in order to enforce Local, County and State laws; specifically those laws related to fireworks, alcohol, and open fires. Individuals observed violating any of these laws will be cited/arrested, and may be ejected from the event. Open fires are not allowed on Noyo Beach due to several factors including the inherent danger posed to pedestrians, children, and animals caused by open fires and buried partially extinguished fires, as well as air-quality concerns for residents and businesses above the beach.

The Police Department will be marking and designating a pedestrian walkway along the bluffs on the east end of Noyo Beach in order to allow emergency access and egress from the beach. This walkway will also be used by the Police Department for their all-terrain vehicles (ATVs).

Pedestrians accessing Noyo Beach are encouraged to use the pedestrian paths located in the 200 Block of N. Harbor Drive and from the south entrance of the South Coastal Trail (both paths are highlighted in green on the attached map). Pedestrian access from under the Noyo Bridge is discouraged as it is not a maintained foot path. Pedestrian access via the north entrance of the Dredge Spoils from the South Coastal Trail (highlighted in red) is prohibited.

The parking lot to the west of the North Cliff Hotel (highlighted in orange) is a private parking lot not open to the public.

The area above Noyo Beach commonly referred to as the Dredge Spoils (highlighted in red) is closed to the public as it is unsafe, especially during the hours of darkness.

Any vehicle found blocking emergency access along N. Harbor Drive or in the Noyo Beach parking lot will be immediately towed and removed without warning.

At the start of the Fireworks Display, the 100 Blocks of N. Harbor Drive and South Street will be barricaded off and shut down to all traffic. The surrounding hotels will have limited vehicle access to their parking lots for approximately 45 minutes. These two road closures are intended to reduce congestion and encourage motorists from the Noyo Harbor area to enter S. Main Street at the traffic light controlled intersections of Cypress Street and Chestnut Street.

All visitors to the event are encouraged to carpool, walk, bike or utilize public transportation to minimize traffic surrounding the event.

Concerns or questions regarding this year's event may be forwarded to Sergeant O'Neal at (707) 961-2800 ext. 120 or to: toneal@fortbragg.com.



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