


Bexar County Fireworks Safety Proposal

12/2/2008

Consumer Fireworks Taxonomy

	“FLYING”	“AERIAL”	“GROUND”
HEIGHT:	50-250ft	35-85ft	0-16ft
DIAMETER:	5-10ft	3-25ft	1-2ft
FIRE DANGER:	VERY HIGH	MEDIUM	VERY LOW
TYPES:	ROCKETS MISSILES HELICOPTERS	CAKES RELOADABLES TUBES	SPARKLERS NOVELTIES FOUNTAINS FIRECRACKERS <i>Much sold in CA and chain stores.</i>
			

Fireworks Customer Behavior

- >90% Buy and Shoot within a 3 hour period.
- >90% Buy on 12/30 or 12/31.
- Vast majority complied with the restrictions in Spring 2008 in Bexar County. (Only 4 fires and <90 citations issued in county of 1.5 million)

Plan Should No Rain Occur Through Opening Day...

- **Dec 9th**: Most Flying Fireworks (“Stick Rockets and Missiles”) banned at Commissioner’s Court (352.051).
- **Dec 20th**: County Judge declares disaster restricting use of fireworks to 13 Safe Areas, ban remaining Flying Fireworks (418.108)
- **Dec 20th-Jan 1st**: If Weather Service Red Flag Warning then all “Aerial Fireworks” not sold and prohibited throughout county.