July 28, 2021

MEMO TO: GREAT-29 File

F R O M: Alice L. Lee, Council Chair

SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATIONAL DOCUMENT RELATING TO **ILLEGAL FIREWORKS IN MAUI COUNTY** (GREAT-29)

The attached informational document pertains to Item 29 on the Committee's agenda.

Ltr:fireworks:ds

Attachment



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OUR REFERENCE

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July 7, 2021

CHIEF OF POLICE

DEAN M. RICKARD DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE

Honorable Michael P. Victorino Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

For transmittal to:

Councilmember Alice Lee, Chair Maui County Council 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Re: Illegal Fireworks enforcement on July 4th, 2021 in Maui County

Dear Chair Lee:

We received an email correspondence dated July 6, 2021 regarding the actions taken by the Maui Police Department on July 4th regarding Illegal Fireworks in Maui County. Answers to your inquiry are as follows:

1. Number of arrests/location

There were no arrests made for illegal fireworks violations.

2. Number of citations/location

Wailuku Patrol District

21 calls for service related to fireworks violations, which resulted in six (6) reports generated and three (3) citations issued. Recovered one (1) aerial device and three (3) launch tubes as evidence. All three (3) citations were issued in the Kahului area.

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Lanai Patrol District

There were no fireworks related issues reported.

Hana Patrol District

No fireworks related issues reported.

Lahaina Patrol District

Twenty-two (22) cases of Illegal Fireworks were generated with four (4) citations issued. All four (4) citations were issued in the Lahaina area.

Molokai Patrol District

Four (4) cases of fireworks related offenses were generated, with two (2) warnings issued. No citations were issued.

Two of the incidents occurred at Maunaloa Town, one in Manila Camp and the other in Kualapuu.

Kihei Patrol District

Twelve (12) cases of illegal Aerial Fireworks were generated with no citations issued.

3. Number of fires/location

Wailuku Patrol District

There were eight (8) calls for service related to fire reports. Four (4) of the eight (8) reported calls for service are believed to be fireworks related fires.

Three (3) fires occurred in Kahului, two (2) in Wailuku, and one (1) each in Haiku, Makawao and Pukalani.

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Lahaina Patrol District

One (1) brush fire was reported in the area of Wahikuli Road and the Old Cane Road. No damages or injuries reported. Per MFD, the cause of the fires unknown.

Molokai Patrol District

One (1) brush fire in the area of Pukoo on the east end of Molokai. No injuries or damages reported. Per MFD, fire likely caused by fireworks.

4. Other pertinent information.

All patrol districts reported a significant decline in the use of illegal aerial fireworks this year as compared to New Year's Eve/Day 2021 and last 4th of July holiday.

If you have any further questions, please contact Assistant Chief John Jakubczak of our Uniformed Services Bureau at X-6416.

Sincerely,

DEAN M. RICKARD Acting Chief of Police