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Cherry Peak Resort moves STARSHIP featuring Mickey Thomas concert to Green Canyon High School due to potential fire danger

Due to the recent hot, dry weather and potential fire danger, STARSHIP's concert Friday night (Aug. 18 at 7:05 p.m.) will be at Green Canyon High School Football Field instead of Cherry Peak Ski Resort.

NORTH LOGAN – Extreme dry conditions in the mountains of northern Utah forced a last-minute venue change for Cherry Peak's STARSHIP concert Friday night.

"Due to Cherry Peak's location in a canyon, the Cache County Fire District takes fire danger seriously," said Dustin Hansen, marketing and operations director for Cherry Peak. "After the recent dry, hot weather we had to change venues. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause."

Rod Hammer, Fire Chief at the Cache County School District, elaborated the reasoning in a letter addressed to Stephen Nelson, the director of development services at Cache County.

"I am denying approval of the special event permit application for the Starship concert that is proposed to be held at Cherry Peak on August 18, 2023 due to the significant danger or threat to the public health, safety or welfare, to the public due to the risk of extreme fire danger," he wrote."

The concert date ticked the boxes on several metrics that require a venue change, he added. First, the State of Utah enacted a Fire Restriction Order on July 21, 2023. Second, live fuel moistures in the canyon have decreased below 125 percent. Third temperatures the day of the event are forecasted at or above 90 degrees.

The Green Canyon High School administration graciously opened its football stadium to the concert. Hansen thanked the administration for giving the concert a new home at the eleventh hour.

The performing artist, acclaimed 80s rock band and #1 hit-maker STARSHIP, is known best for #1 hits like "We Built This City," "Sara," and "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now." Other chart-climbers from STARSHIP like "It's Not Enough" and "It's Not Over ('Til It's Over)" also characterized the 80s and helped form a generation of music.

Hansen of Cherry Peak said that the venue change does make it more accessible to more people – especially those coming from the Salt Lake City area. It also allows him to end the show with fireworks, giving one more reason for people to take part in the highly anticipated event.

For more info on the venue change, please visit <u>https://www.skicpr.com/concert-venue-change</u>

New Venue Address: 2960 Wolfpack Way North North Logan, UT 84341

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