

STATE OF TEXAS           §  
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COUNTY OF FAYETTE   §

**ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING**

**WHEREAS**, the Fayette County Commissioners' Court finds that extremely dry conditions exist and have already resulted in numerous fires in the unincorporated areas of Fayette County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fayette County Commissioners' Court finds that the danger and threat of said conditions causing additional destructive fires continue to exist and are expected to continue into the future; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fayette County Commissioners' Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;


**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Fayette County that all outdoor burning in all the unincorporated area of Fayette County is prohibited for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier by this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; or (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; and this Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities (4) that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and that meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code; or (5) that are prescribed burns conducted by trained persons in compliance with guidelines set forth by federal or state natural resource agencies and that are conducted in accordance with a burn plan approved by such agencies.

In accordance with Local Government Code §352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ADOPTED AND ORDERED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020, by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

  
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Joe Weber  
Fayette County Judge

ATTEST:

  
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Brenda Fietsam  
Fayette County Clerk