



# Order

BY THE

## County Judge of Tyler County

JACQUES L. BLANCHETTE

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STATE OF TEXAS           §  
  §  
COUNTY OF TYLER       §

### DECLARATION OF DISASTER & ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, the County of Tyler, Texas, on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022, is in imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from county-wide drought conditions. Such conditions have created a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning.

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Tyler County, Texas has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect or rehabilitate property are necessary and hereby ordered.

#### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF TYLER COUNTY:**

- I. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared in Tyler County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- II. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners' Court of Tyler County, Texas.
- III. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- IV. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a Local state of disaster activates the Tyler County Emergency Management Plan.
- V. This Declaration include a restriction authorized by Section 352.081 of the Texas Local Government Code, restricting outdoor burning during drought conditions.
- VI. It is hereby ORDERED that all outdoor burning, including but not limited to outdoor trash, brush, trees, storm debris, construction material debris or open campfires is prohibited until expiration of this Order, unless renewed, continued or rescinded by the Commissioners' Court of Tyler County, Texas.

VII. This ORDER does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to Public Health and Safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

VIII. This ORDER shall not apply to burning of vegetative material when such burning is performed in accordance with a prescribed plan which addresses the useful nature of such activity such as natural resource management as described by the U.S. Natural Resource Conservation Service.

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

**ORDERED** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

*Jacques L. Blanchette*

Jacques L. Blanchette, County Judge  
Tyler County, Texas

Attest:

*Donece Gregory*

Donece Gregory, County Clerk  
Tyler County, Texas

