

No. 2022-13A
Date 10.4.22

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF NACOGDOCHES §

Corrected **ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING**

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning. The current Keetch-Byrum Drought index as determined by the Texas Forest Service is 656.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Nacogdoches County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the County for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Commissioners Court or the County Judge that the circumstances that requires the Order no longer exist.

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; or, (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Natural Resources Code §153.048 and meet the standards of Natural Resources Code §153.04.

This order does not prohibit outdoor cooking provided the grill or smoker is placed on a concrete, gravel or dirt surface and is at least five (5) feet from any combustible material.

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 this 4th day of October 2022 by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.



Greg Sowell

Greg Sowell
Nacogdoches County Judge

Attest:

JUNE CLIFTON by *Jennifer Allen*
COUNTY CLERK DEPUTY CLERK

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