

EMERGENCY ORDER FOR CAMP COUNTY PROHIBITION OF OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, Section 418 of the Local Government Code provides that the County Judge, by order, may prohibit outdoor burning within the county if the County Judge makes a finding that circumstances present in the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and, whereas, such a finding authorizes the issuance of an order which prohibits or restricts outdoor burning.

WHEREAS, the County Judge upon consultation with the City of Pittsburg does hereby find that circumstances present in the unincorporated area of Camp County, the City of Pittsburg and City of Rocky Mound create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and

WHEREAS, this includes all outdoor fires, including fires contained in a contained or semi-enclosure, such as a barrel or hopper. (This does not include grills, barbeques, or smokers which are used to cook food and are fully covered and attended.) Open grills, barbeques, or smokers are prohibited.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following emergency regulations are hereby established for all unincorporated areas of Camp County, Texas, the City of Pittsburg, Texas and City of Rocky Mound, Texas:

- A. A person commits an offense if he or she burns combustible material outside of an enclosure, which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders such burning by others.
- B. 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.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this burn ban be in effect for seven (7) days from the date of this Order, unless renewed by the county's commissioners' court.

BE IT ALSO ORDERED that the purpose of this Order is the mitigation of the hazard posed by wildfires during the current dry weather conditions by curtailing the practice of outdoor burning, which purpose is to be considered in any enforcement action based upon this Order.

ORDERED THIS 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2026 TO BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

Attest:

Dandra Knight
County Clerk

By: _____



James (AJ) Mason

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Camp County Judge