

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF NACOGDOCHES §

ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist within the county; and

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;

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: (1) the Texas Forest Service that drought conditions no longer exist; (2) the Commissioners Court; (3) or the County Judge based on a determination that the circumstances that required 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; (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 §153.047.

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 materials.

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 27th day of October, 2026 by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.



COUNTY JUDGE

Attest:



COUNTY CLERK