

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF FRIO §

ORDER, PROHIBITING OR RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF FRIO COUNTY, TEXAS

WHEREAS, the Frio County Commissioners Court finds that circumstances are present in all or parts of the unincorporated areas of the county that create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Frio County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated areas of the county for 90 days from the date of July 17, 2023, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this court. This order is to expire on the 15th day of October, 2023. 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; (4) in the burning of accumulated brush or vegetation by farmers and ranchers on their property being cleared with heavy equipment by a "land clearing contractor;" or anyone else who may initiate a burn under the direction of the "land clearing contractor" and that the "land clearing contractor" or anyone else provide documentary evidence or such other sufficient proof of such trade when requested first before beginning the operation; (5) that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code. (6) the burning of garbage or trash in a container or barrel with a wire mesh screen or grill on top of the container; (7) ranchers and farmers burning prickly pear cactus to feed livestock; (8) a Prescribed Burning Management Plan developed by the USDA-NRCS personnel in the unincorporated areas of Frio County, Texas.

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 11th day of July, 2023, by a vote of 5 Ayes 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention, 0 Absences.

Rochelle Camacho

HON. ROCHELLE CAMACHO

Frio County Judge

Joe Vela

HON. JOE VELA
Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

Mario Martinez

HON. MARIO MARTINEZ
Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

Raul Carrizales III

HON. RAUL CARRIZALES III
Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

Danny Cano

HON. DANNY CANO
Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

ATTEST:

Aaron Ibarra

HON. AARON IBARRA
Frio County Clerk
Ex officio Clerk of the
Frio County Commissioners Court

By: _____
(Chief) Deputy Clerk

FILED
At 05:30 clock P M
This 11 day of July 2013
Aaron T. Ibarra
Clerk County Court FRIO COUNTY, TX
BY: *[Signature]* DEPUTY