

STATE OF TEXAS       §  
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COUNTY OF ECTOR   §


**ORDER PROHIBITING 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:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** by the Commissioners Court of Ector County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county for ninety (90) days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. 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 the §153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of § 153.047, Natural Resource Code, (5) Welding activities pursuant to a person's gainful employment (6) Outdoor barbecuing in an appropriate barbecue grill. Or (7) burning of households trash in a proper barrel with an iron grate.

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.

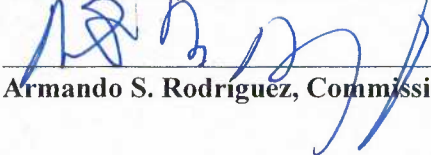
**ADOPTED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020, by a vote of 5 ayes and \_\_\_ nays.

  
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Debi Hays, Ector County Judge

  
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Eddy Shelton, Commissioner Precinct #1

  
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Greg Simmons, Commissioner Precinct #2

  
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Dale Childers, Commissioner Precinct #3

  
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Armando S. Rodriguez, Commissioner Precinct #4

ATTEST:  
  
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Jennifer Martin, Ector County Clerk

