

**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;

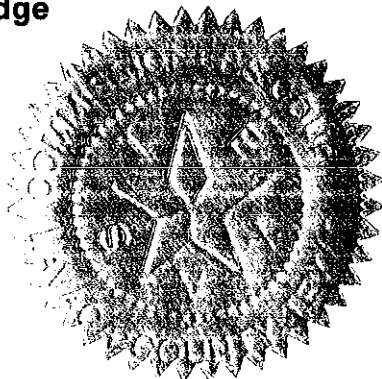
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissions Court of Lavaca County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by: (1) the Texas Forest Service that drought conditions no longer exist; or (2) the Commissioners Court or 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 Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

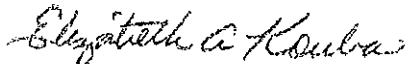

In accordance with Local Government Code § 352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ADOPTED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018 by a vote of 15 ayes and 0 nays and becomes effective immediately.

  
**Tramer J. Woytek**  
**Lavaca County Judge**



**Attest:**

 by   
**Elizabeth A. Kouba** *Deputy Clerk*  
**Lavaca County Clerk**