

Resolution 18- <u>242</u>

Whereas, the Canadian County Board of Commissioners pursuant to the authority granted to the Board by Section 16-26.B of Title 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, do hereby proclaim that extreme fire danger currently exists in Canadian County, and

Whereas, this situation (as defined in Section 16-26.B. 1. a-d, Title 2, O.S.) has been verified by a documented concurrence of a majority of the County's municipal and rural Fire Chiefs on Thursday, April 12, 2018, and

Whereas, any fire started under these extreme conditions may become uncontrolled causing major property damage and the possibility of injuries and loss of life, and

Whereas, by virtue of this of this resolution, it is unlawful for any person to purposefully set fire or to ignite material such as fireworks, campfires, bonfires, or fires to burn trash, debris, vegetation, agricultural fields, forest or grass range unless otherwise granted special permission by the Canadian County Board of Commissioners or their designee, and

Whereas, exceptions to this burn ban and the appropriate precautionary measures to be taken are as follows:

- 1. Outdoor grilling is allowed for gas grilling and the charcoal grills having a hood covering the cooking area.
- 2. Cutting and welding operations may continue on a case-by-case basis but must be approved prior to the operation and permitted as applicable by local fire authorities having jurisdiction.
- 3. Special exemption for burning vegetative debris may be considered under the following conditions:
 - a. Weather forecast and conditions becoming more favorable
 - b. Request must be applied for a minimum of 48 hours in advance.
 - c. A detailed burn plan must accompany the request
 - d. Adequate fire suppression must be arranged and approved by permit with the local fire authority under whose jurisdiction the location of the burn falls.

Whereas, enforcement of this resolution may be carried out by any law enforcement officer of this State. Any person convicted of violating this resolution shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), to imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or to both such fine and imprisonment, and

Whereas, this resolution shall be in effect for a period not to exceed fourteen (14) days from the date of passage by the Board of County Commissioners, and

Whereas, if conditions for extreme fire danger persist, subsequent resolutions may be passed to extend the ban for an additional period, and

Whereas, this burn ban may be removed at any time during the fourteen (14) day period by the same method by a resolution to rescind.

Be it therefore resolved that at **an emergency meeting** held at 2:00 pm on Thursday, April 12, 2018, the Board of the Canadian County Commissioners do hereby declare and impose a burn ban for Canadian County Oklahoma commencing at 6:00 pm on Thursday, April 12, 2018, to conclude at 12:00 Noon on Thursday, April 26, 2018

Canadian County Board of Commissioners

Chairman

Member

Member

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Attested by:

Sherry Murray, County Clerk