



SUMTER COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025- ____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA, DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY, PROHIBITING BURNING, AND FIREWORKS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has been informed and is otherwise aware of drought conditions in the State of Florida and Sumter County, and;

WHEREAS, Chapter 8, Section 8-1(b) of the Sumter County Code, authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to declare a local emergency under such circumstances and to adopt reasonable rules and regulations to respond to such an emergency and institute prohibitive measures, and;

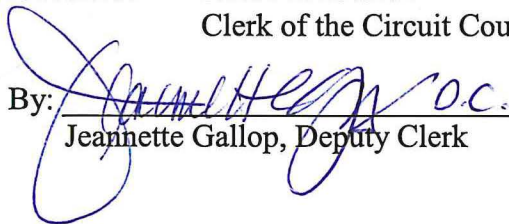
WHEREAS, the Sumter County Board of County Commissioners finds that the current dry conditions constitute an emergency condition such that the ignition of outdoor fires or the discharge of any fireworks would create a high probability of wildfires.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA THAT:

1. There is hereby declared a state of local emergency in Sumter County, Florida as a result of drought and the concurrent possibility of forest and brush fires.
2. Based on the foregoing declaration, the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida hereby bans all outdoor burning and fireworks with the exception of controlled burning or other fire prevention efforts conducted by or permitted by the Florida Forest Service or any other State Agency. This burning ban shall include, but is not limited to burning in barrels, or other screened containers, or the burning of debris piles, and shall apply to commercial and residential uses. The burn ban does not apply to cooking on attended and monitored barbecue equipment, so long as that equipment is a contained gas or charcoal grill.
3. This local emergency and resulting burning ban may be rescinded by the County Administrator upon improved conditions.

DONE AND ADOPTED this 24TH day of April 2025.

ATTEST: ERIN C. MUNZ
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: 
Jeannette Gallop, Deputy Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: 
Andrew Bilardello, Vice Chairman

