

**BURN BAN  
THREAT OF WILDFIRES**

WHEREAS, Cherokee County has not had rainfall for an extended period; and  
WHEREAS, weather forecasters offer little promise of a change in the dry conditions in the near future; and  
WHEREAS, these dry conditions pose the threat of large, dangerous and fast moving wildfires; and  
WHEREAS, such fires have the potential of endangering lives and damaging property on a large scale; and  
WHEREAS, the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 authorized declaration of a state of disaster "if the threat of disaster is imminent"; and  
WHEREAS, the magnitude of the potential damage and rapidity at which such a fire could escalate to major proportions constitute an imminent threat of disaster; and  
WHEREAS, declaration of such disaster authorized the imposition of controls on activities which tend to increase the threat of dangerous fires;

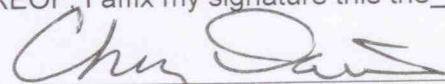
BE IT THEREFORE PROCLAIMED that I, Chris Davis, County Judge, Cherokee County, Texas, do hereby declare a state of disaster based on the threat of large wildfires in Cherokee County, Texas; and

BE IT ALSO PROCLAIMED that this state of disaster will continue until rescinded in accordance with the above statute and order, but in no instance will this declaration continue for more than seven days without authorization by the Cherokee County Commissioners Court;

BE IT ALSO PROCLAIMED that this state of disaster is being declared solely for the purpose of implementing controls aimed at mitigating the hazard posed by wildfires during the current dry weather.

BE IT ALSO ORDERED THAT the purpose of this order is the mitigation of the hazard posed by wildfires by curtailing the practice of outdoor burning, which purpose is to be taken into account in any enforcement action based upon this order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I affix my signature this the 9 day of September, 2019



Chris Davis, County Judge, Cherokee County

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