

**STATE OF TEXAS**

**COUNTY OF HARDEMAN**

**ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING**

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners Court of Hardeman County has determined 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 Hardeman County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county until July 9, 2022 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 Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code and before burn advise the Hardeman County Sheriff's Department, Fire Department and all neighbors and you must create a fire guard surrounding the area at a minimum of 30 ft wide:

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.

**EFFECTIVE** April 10,2022

**ADOPTED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022.

  
Ronald E. Ingram, County Judge

Attest:

  
Ellen London, County Clerk