

RESOLUTION
COUNTY-WIDE BURN BAN FOR LINCOLN COUNTY

WHEREAS: The Lincoln County Board of County 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 continues to exist in Lincoln County. The situation (as defined in Section 16-26.B.1a-d, Title 2, O.S.) has been verified by a documented concurrence of the majority of the County's fire chiefs, or their designees; and,

WHEREAS: By virtue of this resolution, it is unlawful for any person to set fire to any forest, grass, range, crop, or other wildlands, or to build a campfire or bonfire, or to burn trash or other material that may cause a forest, grass, range, crop, or other wildlands fire; and,

WHEREAS: Any law enforcement officer of the State of Oklahoma may carry out the enforcement of this resolution. 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 of not more than one (1) year, or to both such fine and imprisonment; and,

WHEREAS: The only exceptions to this ban are as follows: **A)** LPG, natural gas, or charcoal-fired cooking outside in a grilling receptacle are permitted, provided that the activity is conducted over a non-combustible surface and at least five (5) feet from any flammable vegetation. **B)** Welding, cutting, grinding, and/or torch use is permitted under the following conditions: **1)** Must be conducted over a non-combustible surface of at least 10 feet by 10 feet or when welding blankets are used to cover flammable vegetation; **2)** Wind speeds must be less than 20 miles per hour; and **3)** A fire watch, other than the welder, must be posted at the welding/cutting/grinding/torch site with a pressurized water extinguisher or other fire extinguishing device. **C)** Prescribed burning of crop lands for agricultural purposes is permitted but the following must be met: **1)** A burn permit is obtained from the local fire department having jurisdiction for the area where burning is to take place; **2)** Wind speeds are less than 20 miles per hour; and **3)** A fire watch is posted at the burn site with pressurized water extinguishers or other fire extinguishing devices. Burning brush piles and other underbrush or debris does NOT constitute an agricultural purpose and is considered to be a violation of this resolution.

Again, individuals are responsible for their actions and results of their activities while doing any of the above listed exceptions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Lincoln County Board of County Commissioners make this COUNTY-WIDE BURN BAN effective immediately for a period not to exceed fourteen (14) days from the date of passage by the Board of County Commissioners. If extreme fire danger conditions persist, subsequent resolutions may be passed. The Burn Ban may be removed at any time during the fourteen-day period by the same method by which it was approved.

Approved this 3rd day of October, 2022 by



Chairman

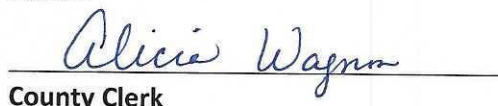


Vice-Chairman

Attest:



Member



County Clerk