

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF SWISHER

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WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds 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 Swisher County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in Swisher County for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Swisher County Commissioners Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statues. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public 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.

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.

ADOPTED this 11th day of August, 2020 by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Harold Keeter

Harold Keeter, County Judge

Attest:

Donna Muehl

CJ Chasco, County Clerk

