

# ORDER #2018-11

**WHEREAS**, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist within Panola County to the extent that outdoor burning would be a hazard;

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Panola County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated areas of Panola County for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of adoption of this Order, 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, Section 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 agriculture 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 Section 352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00

**ADOPTED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2018 by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

*LeeAnn Jones*

County Judge LeeAnn Jones

*Ronnie LaGrone*

Honorable Ronnie LaGrone  
Commissioner, Precinct One

*Craig M. Lawless*

Honorable Craig M. Lawless  
Commissioner, Precinct Three

*Absent*

Honorable John Gradberg  
Commissioner, Precinct Two

*Dale LaGrone*

Honorable Dale LaGrone  
Commissioner, Precinct Four

**ATTEST:**

*Bobbie Davis*  
County Clerk Bobbie Davis

