

# ORDER #2024-13


**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners' Court 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 Commissioners' Court with consideration of the Panola County Fire Marshal. 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. All outdoor cooking should only be done in enclosed pits or grills.


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 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024 by a vote of 5 ayes and -0- nays.

  
County Judge Rodger G. McLane


  
Honorable Billy Alexander  
Commissioner, Precinct One

  
Honorable Craig M. Lawless  
Commissioner, Precinct Three

  
Honorable David A. Cole  
Commissioner, Precinct Two

  
Honorable Dale LaGrone  
Commissioner, Precinct Four

**ATTEST:**

  
County Clerk Bobbie Davis

