

PAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION 2024-261

PAYNE COUNTY BURN BAN

WHEREAS, The Payne County Board of 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 exists in Payne County.

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,

WHEREAS, Exceptions to this fire prohibition and the appropriate precautionary measures to be taken are as follows: Indoor fire places, commercial or professional covered cookers, welding torch down type roofing, and gas grills are permitted with adequate protection.

Agricultural burning of range and crop lands is permitted, provided the following conditions are met:

- 1). Must have a written prescribed burn plan, and the conditions stated in the plan must be met when the burn is started.
- 2). A copy of the burn plan must be on file with the fire department in which fire district the controlled burn is to occur, prior to starting the burn. A copy of the burn plan must also be at the site of the burn.
- 3). The fire department and law enforcement agency responsible for the area in which the burn is to occur must be notified immediately prior to beginning the burn.

(Brush piles are not considered to be agricultural burns, and there are not exempt).

WHEREAS, Enforcement of this resolution may be carried out by any law enforcement officer of this State. 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 for not more than one (1) year, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

WHEREAS, This resolution shall be effective immediately for a period not to exceed Nov. 7th, 2024 from the date of passage by the Board of County Commissioners. If extreme fire danger conditions persist, subsequent resolutions may be passed. This Burn Ban may be removed at any time during this period by the same method by which it was approved.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED: at the Special Meeting of the Board of Payne County Commissioners at 3:00 pmon October, 24th, 2024.

PAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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To the Citizens of Payne County:

The Payne County Board of Commissioners has issued a burn ban effective immediately.

This burn ban will extend until November 7th 2024, but may be extended at that time.

If Governor Stitt declares a burn ban, it will take precedence over the commissioners' burn ban.

If you have questions, contact your local fire chief or contact Pierce Taylor, Payne County Emergency Management Director by calling 405-334-3447.

Thank you.

Regards,



ZACH CAVETT

Chairman

Payne County Board of Commissioners

