

**REQUEST FOR AGENDA PLACEMENT FORM**

Submission Deadline - Tuesday, 12:00 PM before Court Dates

SUBMITTED BY: CJO TODAY'S DATE: 07/01/2022

DEPARTMENT: CJO

SIGNATURE OF DEPARTMENT HEAD: \_\_\_\_\_

REQUESTED AGENDA DATE: 7-6-2022 Special Called

**SPECIFIC AGENDA WORDING:**

Consideration to Consent to the Renewal of the Declaration of Disaster for Johnson County filed on

June 29, 2022 that included a ban on fireworks, as extended by the Governor of Texas

COMMISSIONERS COURT

JUL 06 2022

**Approved**

**PERSON(S) TO PRESENT ITEM:**

Judge Harmon

**SUPPORT MATERIAL:** (Must enclose supporting documentation)

**TIME:** 10 min  
(Anticipated number of minutes needed to discuss item)

**ACTION ITEM:**

**WORKSHOP:**

**CONSENT:**

**EXECUTIVE:**

**STAFF NOTICE:**

**COUNTY ATTORNEY:**

**IT DEPARTMENT:**

**AUDITOR:**

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:**

**PERSONNEL:**

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

**BUDGET COORDINATOR:**

**OTHER:**

This Section to be completed by County Judge's Office

ASSIGNED AGENDA DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

REQUEST RECEIVED BY COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE:

\_\_\_\_\_  
**COURT MEMBER APPROVAL:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE:**



**TDEM**  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

**DATE: June 30, 2022**

**TO: The Honorable Roger Harmon**  
Johnson County  
#2 N Main St  
Cleburne, Texas 76033

**SUBJECT: Letter of Determination - Request for Extension under Texas Government Code, Chapter 418.108 (i) Regarding Fireworks**

Dear Judge Harmon,

The Texas Division of Emergency Management is in receipt of your request for an extension under Chapter 418.108 (i) of the Texas Government Code.

After a review of the Texas A&M Forest Service Wildfire Danger Assessment, Johnson County meets the necessary thresholds to warrant a fireworks restriction that exceeds the restriction authorized by Local Government Code Sec. 352.051.

Your request for an extension has been approved by the Office of the Governor and is hereby granted.

Please contact me at 512-424-2443 or Marty Penney, Division Chief at 512-424-2208 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. Nim Kidd".

**W. Nim Kidd, MPA, CEM**

Chief – Texas Division of Emergency Management  
Vice Chancellor for Disaster and Emergency Services  
The Texas A&M University System

**ROGER HARMON  
JOHNSON COUNTY JUDGE**

**Paula Reid, Administrative Assistant  
Rachel Sitler, Secretary**



**Rexann Knowles, Budget Coordinator  
Kay Hardin, Receptionist**

June 29, 2022

#2 N Main St – Johnson County Courthouse, Cleburne, Texas 76033

Honorable Greg Abbott  
Governor of the State of Texas  
Office of the Governor

Re: Request for extension of Local Disaster Declaration

Dear Governor Abbott,

Pursuant to my authority under Texas Government Code 418.018, I have issued a Declaration of Disaster for Johnson County, Texas, a copy of which is enclosed. The Declaration includes a complete prohibition on the use and discharge of all fireworks as authorized by 418.108(1).

As you know, the fireworks prohibition under this Declaration is only effective for sixty (60) hours unless you agree to an extension. I am respectfully requesting for an extension for Johnson County's Local Disaster Declaration until the KBDI falls below an acceptable number.

The extension is critically necessary in order to protect the citizens of Johnson County and their property. The Johnson County Commissioners Court also enacted a Burn Ban on June 17, 2022 which is still in effect in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 352 of the Local Government Code.

On behalf of the citizens in Johnson County, I respectfully submit this request.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roger Harmon", written over a horizontal line.

Roger Harmon  
County Judge

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JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

JUN 29 2022



Becky Ivey, County Clerk  
Johnson County Texas  
By ma Deputy

RICK BAILEY  
Commissioner Pct. #1

ROGER HARMON  
County Judge

MIKE WHITE  
Commissioner Pct. #3

KENNY HOWELL  
Commissioner Pct. #2

PAULA REID  
Assistant to Commissioner's Court

LARRY WOOLLEY  
Commissioner Pct. #4

June 29, 2022

DECLARATION OF DISASTER FOR JOHNSON COUNTY

WHEREAS, the County of Johnson on the 29th day of June 2022 is under imminent threat of severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from:

THE THREAT OF WILDFIRES IN JOHNSON COUNTY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF JOHNSON COUNTY:

1. That a local state of disaster is hereby proclaimed for Johnson County pursuant to §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
2. Pursuant to §418.108(b) of the Government Code, this Declaration of a local state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued for renewal by the Commissioners Court of Johnson County.
3. Pursuant to §418.108(c) of the Government Code, this Declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk of Johnson County.
4. Pursuant to §418.108(i) of the Government Code, this Declaration bans the use of fireworks in Johnson County for 60 hours unless extended by the Governor.
5. This Declaration exempts licensed professional firework displays sponsored by municipalities.

This Proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance, ORDERED THIS THE 29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

ROGER HARMON  
County Judge





In accordance with request from the Texas Division of Emergency Management, and the Office of General Counsel, Office of the Governor, the Texas A&M Forest Service (TAMFS) is asked to verify the following information in implementing procedures for consideration of a county's request for extension for local declaration of disaster.

1. County has an Average Keetch-Byram Drought Index of 575 or greater.
2. Fire occurrence for previous 14 days. Local Fire Department occurrences are dependent on fire departments reporting to Texas FireConnect (fireconnect.tfs.tamu.edu).
3. Current drought intensity. Drought implies an increased availability of dead and live fuels that will contribute to combustion. Increased fuel loading will increase fire intensity, increase the rate of spread and generally increase a wildfire's resistance to control.
4. Burn bans are enacted at the local level, and the burn ban map is updated daily as the TAMFS is notified by local jurisdictions.
5. If the above criteria is not met and special circumstances are cited, provide supporting documentation if possible, to assist with validation/support of special circumstances cited.

On June 29 2022, a request was received from the State Operations Center for verification of above criteria for Johnson County. The Texas A&M Forest Service verifies criteria for the county as follows:

1. Meets KBDI average criteria: Yes  No  KBDI 611
2. Reported 14 day fire occurrence:  
TAMFS 0 fires for \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
Local Fire Departments 0 fires for \_\_\_\_\_ acres
3. U.S. Drought Monitor intensities present in county:  
DO (Abnormally Dry)  D1 (Moderate Drought)  D2 (Severe Drought)   
D3 (Extreme Drought)  D4 (Exceptional Drought)  None
4. Is county currently in a Burn Ban, that has been reported to TAMFS: Yes  No
5. Special considerations for increased fire potential: Yes  No 
  - a. Special Circumstance:

Submitted to the SOC on: 06/29/2022

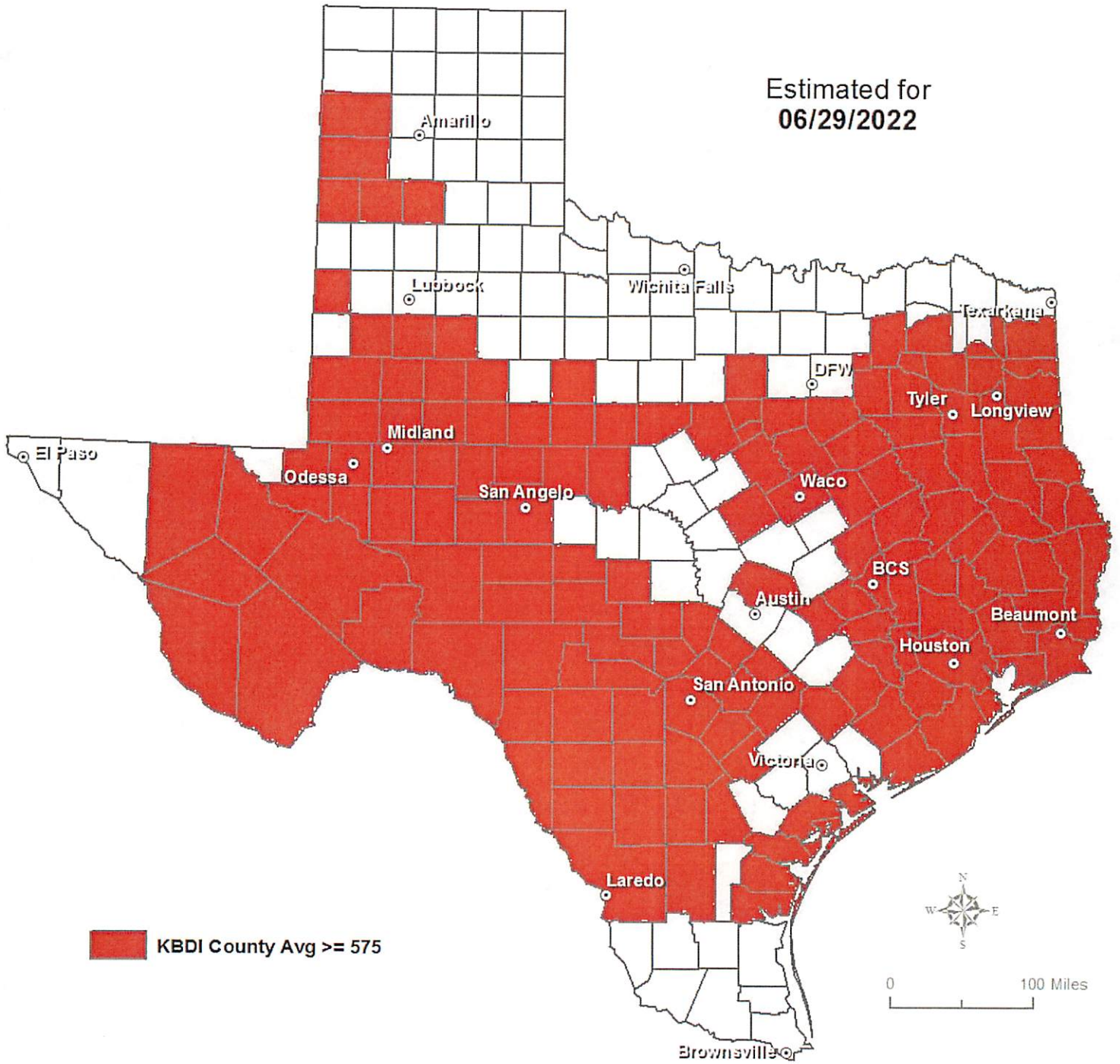
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Texas A&M Forest Service  
200 Technology Way, 1162  
College Station, TX 77845  
979.458.7306

Attachments:   1. KBDI  
                  2. U.S. Drought Monitor Intensity Map  
                  3. Reported Burn Ban Map

# Keetch-Byram Drought Index

(County Average Value)

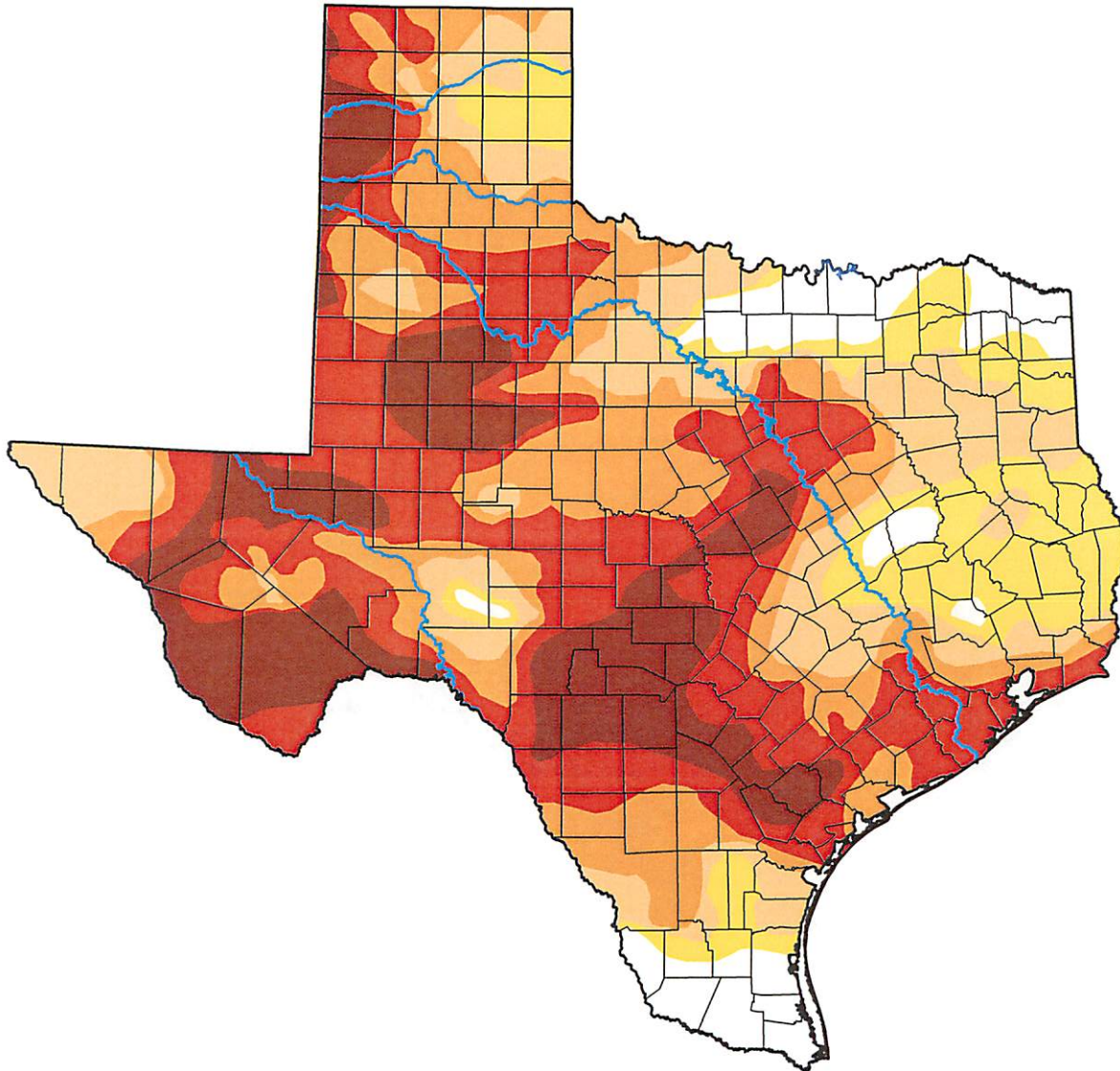
Estimated for  
06/29/2022











# U.S. Drought Monitor Texas

June 21, 2022  
(Released Thursday, Jun. 23, 2022)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



## Intensity:

-  None
-  D0 Abnormally Dry
-  D1 Moderate Drought
-  D2 Severe Drought
-  D3 Extreme Drought
-  D4 Exceptional Drought

*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

## Author:

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NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC



[droughtmonitor.unl.edu](https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu)



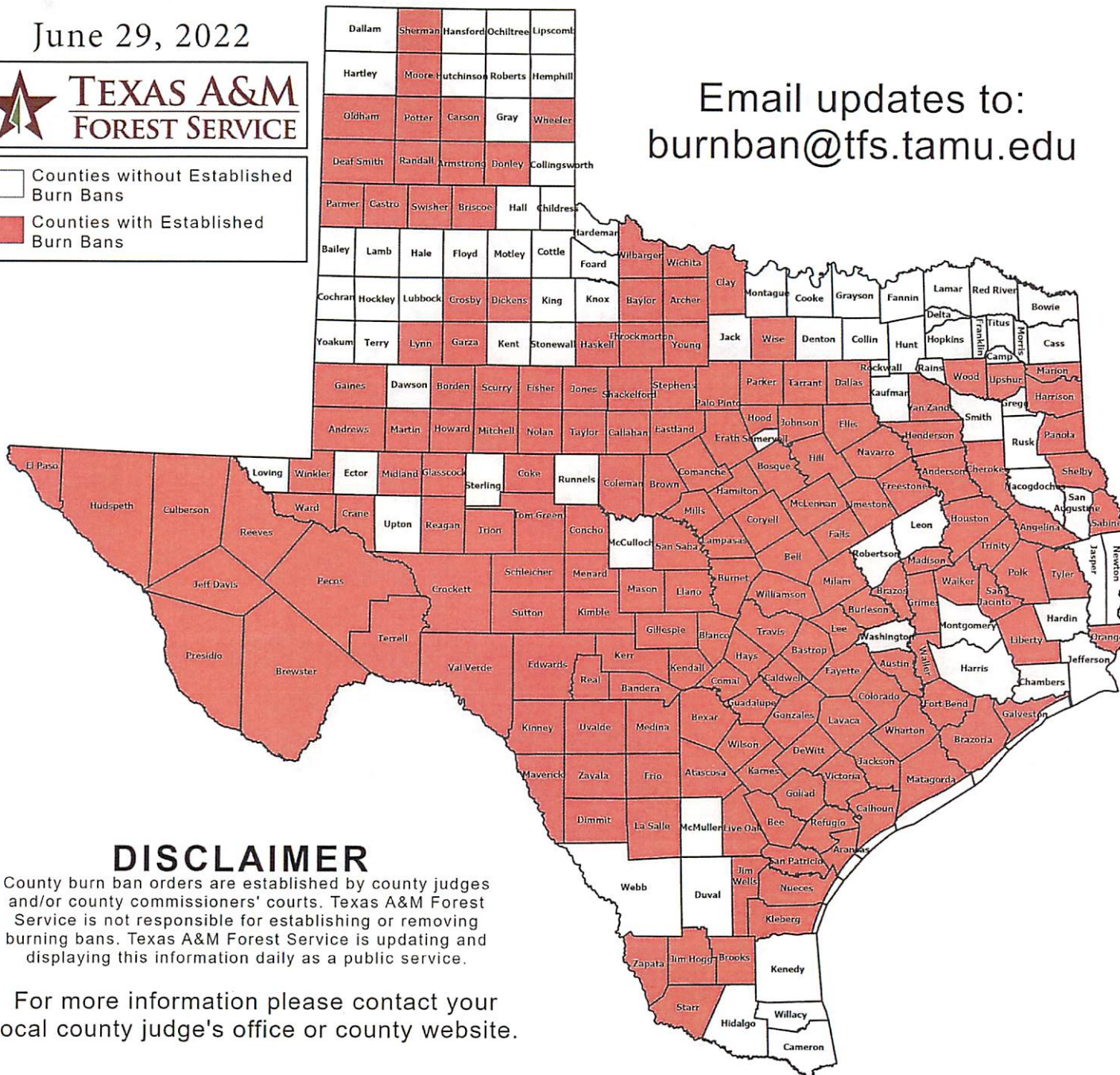
# OUTDOOR BURN BANS

June 29, 2022



Counties without Established Burn Bans  
 Counties with Established Burn Bans

Email updates to:  
burnban@tfs.tamu.edu



## Counties with Burn Bans: 174

- |            |            |              |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| Anderson   | Freestone  | Nolan        |
| Andrews    | Frio       | Nueces       |
| Angelina   | Gaines     | Oldham       |
| Aransas    | Galveston  | Orange       |
| Archer     | Garza      | Palo Pinto   |
| Armstrong  | Gillespie  | Panola       |
| Atascosa   | Glasscock  | Parker       |
| Austin     | Goliad     | Parmer       |
| Bandera    | Gonzales   | Pecos        |
| Bastrop    | Grimes     | Polk         |
| Baylor     | Guadalupe  | Potter       |
| Bee        | Hamilton   | Presidio     |
| Bell       | Harrison   | Randall      |
| Bexar      | Haskell    | Reagan       |
| Blanco     | Hays       | Real         |
| Borden     | Henderson  | Reeves       |
| Bosque     | Hill       | Refugio      |
| Brazoria   | Hood       | Sabine       |
| Brazos     | Houston    | San Jacinto  |
| Brewster   | Howard     | San Patricio |
| Briscoe    | Hudspeth   | San Saba     |
| Brooks     | Irion      | Schleicher   |
| Brown      | Jackson    | Scurry       |
| Burleson   | Jeff Davis | Shackelford  |
| Burnet     | Jim Hogg   | Shelby       |
| Caldwell   | Jim Wells  | Sherman      |
| Calhoun    | Johnson    | Starr        |
| Callahan   | Jones      | Stephens     |
| Carson     | Karnes     | Sutton       |
| Castro     | Kendall    | Swisher      |
| Cherokee   | Kerr       | Tarrant      |
| Clay       | Kimble     | Taylor       |
| Coke       | Kinney     | Terrell      |
| Coleman    | Kleberg    | Throckmorton |
| Colorado   | Lampasas   | Tom Green    |
| Comal      | La Salle   | Travis       |
| Comanche   | Lavaca     | Trinity      |
| Concho     | Lee        | Tyler        |
| Coryell    | Liberty    | Upshur       |
| Crane      | Limestone  | Uvalde       |
| Crockett   | Live Oak   | Val Verde    |
| Crosby     | Llano      | Van Zandt    |
| Culberson  | Lynn       | Victoria     |
| Dallas     | McLennan   | Walker       |
| Deaf Smith | Madison    | Waller       |
| DeWitt     | Marion     | Ward         |
| Dickens    | Martin     | Wharton      |
| Dimmit     | Mason      | Wheeler      |
| Donley     | Matagorda  | Wichita      |
| Eastland   | Maverick   | Wilbarger    |
| Edwards    | Medina     | Williamson   |
| Ellis      | Menard     | Wilson       |
| El Paso    | Midland    | Winkler      |
| Erath      | Milam      | Wise         |
| Falls      | Mills      | Wood         |
| Fayette    | Mitchell   | Young        |
| Fisher     | Moore      | Zapata       |
| Fort Bend  | Navarro    | Zavala       |

## DISCLAIMER

County burn ban orders are established by county judges and/or county commissioners' courts. Texas A&M Forest Service is not responsible for establishing or removing burning bans. Texas A&M Forest Service is updating and displaying this information daily as a public service.

For more information please contact your local county judge's office or county website.

RED FLAG WARNINGS: [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov)  
Additional map formats available at <https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/Burnbans/>