County of Young

Order Restricting Outdoor Burning

Whereas, the Commissioners' Court of Young County, Texas, has determined 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 Young County, Texas, that outdoor burning of trash or brush and open camp fires are banned, beginning October 11, 2022, in all of the unincorporated areas of the county for 90 days from that date expiring on January 8, 2023, unless order is terminated or modified by actions of the court or the restrictions are terminated earlier by the County Judge based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service that conditions no longer exist. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code § 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit:

- A. Outdoor cooking in enclosed pits; and
- B. 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 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 Texas Local Government Code § 352.081(h), a violation of the Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

Adopted this 11th day of October, 2022.

John Bullock,

County Judge, Young County, Texas

Attest:

Kay Hardin,

County Clerk, Young County, Texas