

Order No. 273



ORDER CONTINUING COUNTY JUDGE SHERMAN KRAUSE'S
DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR COMAL COUNTY, TEXAS
AND EXTENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 271

WHEREAS, by Declaration of Local Disaster for Comal County, Texas (herein after referred to as "Comal County Declaration") issued **June 15, 2011, at 9:00 a.m.**, the County Judge of Comal County declared a local state of disaster for Comal County, Texas, resulting from:

WILDFIRES DUE TO DROUGHT, DRY VEGETATION, WIND, AND OTHER WEATHER RELATED CONDITIONS; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Declaration of Local Disaster for Comal County, Texas, County Judge Sherman Krause issued Executive Order No. 271 Regarding Restricted Use of Combustible Materials ordering:

THE EXERCISE AND USE OF OUTDOOR WELDING AND/OR OTHER ACTIVITIES UTILIZING EXPLOSIVES OR COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS IS PROHIBITED UNLESS PRIOR APPROVAL OF A FIRE SAFETY PLAN FOR THE SAID WELDING OR OTHER ACTIVITIES IS OBTAINED FROM THE COMAL COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL PRIOR TO ENGAGING IN SUCH ACTIVITY. SAID FIRE SAFETY PLAN MAY INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING FIRE SAFETY MEASURES: SATURATION OF THE SURROUNDING GROUND AREA WITH ADEQUATE MOISTURE, UTILIZATION OF ADEQUATE PERSONNEL TO OBSERVE AND HANDLE THE RESULTING EFFECTS FROM THE USE OF EXPLOSIVE OR COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL, PREPARATION OF THE GROUND AREA TO PREVENT AND REMOVE LARGE AMOUNTS OF CURED GRASS, AND FIRE SUPPRESSION DEVICES. THE FIRE MARSHAL SHALL HAVE THE FINAL DETERMINATION AS TO THE NECESSARY FIRE SAFETY MEASURES FOR THE SAID WELDING OR OTHER ACTIVITIES.

THE EXERCISE OF OUTDOOR COOKING WITH OPEN FLAME IS PROHIBITED UNLESS USING A BARBEQUE PIT OR SIMILAR DEVICE, WHICH IS MANUFACTURED WITH A LID THAT WHEN CLOSED WILL CONTAIN ALL OPEN FLAME. SAID BARBEQUE PIT OR SIMILAR DEVICE

MUST BE USED ONLY FOR COOKING PURPOSES. THE FOLLOWING FIRE SAFETY MEASURES SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED FOR OUTDOOR COOKING WITH OPEN FLAME, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: SATURATION OF THE SURROUNDING GROUND AREA WITH ADEQUATE MOISTURE, CONSTANT SUPERVISION AND OBSERVATION OF THE BARBEQUE PIT OR SIMILAR DEVICE, AND FIRE SUPPRESSION DEVICES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the Comal County Commissioners Court, as the governing body for this County, may renew a declaration of a local disaster and extend an Executive Order prohibiting conduct, regulating combustibles and/or explosive materials.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, that the Comal County Commissioners Court hereby renews and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster for Comal County, Texas and Executive Order No. 271 Regarding Restricted Use of Combustible Materials until September 15, 2011, or until this Court deems the drought conditions no longer exist.

APPROVED this 16th day of June, 2011.

Abstain
SHERMAN KRAUSE,
COUNTY JUDGE

Absent
DONNA ECCLESTON,
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. #1

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SCOTT HAAG,
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. #2

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GREGORY PARKER,
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. #3

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JAN KENNADY,
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. #4



ATTEST: Joy Streater
JOY STREATER, COUNTY CLERK

[Signature], Deputy