



WICHITA COUNTY

DECLARATION OF DISASTER

December 15, 2021

DECLARATION OF DISASTER FOR WICHITA COUNTY

WHEREAS the County of Wichita on the 10th day of December 2021 is under imminent threat of severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property on a large scale resulting from:

THE DAMAGE AND DESTRUCTION OF FIRES DUE TO DROUGHT, WEATHER CONDITIONS, AND OTHER POSSIBLE, BUT AT THIS TIME UNKNOWN, CAUSES;
and

WHEREAS, the Texas Government Code Chapter 418 gives the county judge the power to declare a local disaster within the county "if the threat of disaster is imminent"; and

WHEREAS, the magnitude of potential damage and the rapidity with which the damage and destruction from fire could escalate, constitute an imminent threat of disaster; and

WHEREAS, the declaration of such a disaster authorizes the imposition of controls on activities which tend to increase the likelihood of injury to the public; and

WHEREAS, such controls, once implemented, have the potential of protecting lives and property and may mitigate the threat of further damage and loss; and

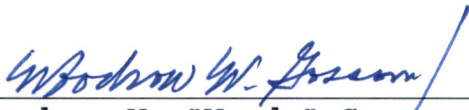
WHEREAS, a local disaster declaration expires seven (7) days after its issuance, unless the commissioners court consents to its renewal or continuance; and

WHEREAS THE COMMISSIONERS COURT of Wichita County has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF WICHITA COUNTY:

1. That a local state of disaster is hereby proclaimed for Wichita 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 indefinitely until conditions change and warrant a cancelling of this order by the Commissioners Court of Wichita 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 Wichita County.
4. Pursuant to §418.108(d) of the Government Code, this Declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Wichita County Emergency Management Plan.

This Proclamation shall take effect immediately BE IT ORDERED THIS THE 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2021.



Woodrow W. "Woody" Gossom, Jr.
County Judge

Attest:

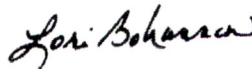


County Clerk

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WICHITA

I hereby certify that this instrument was FILED on the date and the time stamped hereon by me and was duly RECORDED in the Records of Wichita County, Texas.

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Lori Bohannon, County Clerk
Wichita County, Texas