

EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

BURN BAN FOR SEVEN (7) DAYS

2017 - 53

A PROCLAMATION RELATING TO THE OCCURRENCE OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS, CITING THE CAUSE OF DISASTROUS CONDITIONS, DECLARING A BAN ON UNREGULATED OUTSIDE BURNING, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, DECLARING A DISASTER EMERGENCY TO EXIST IN CREEK COUNTY, OKLAHOMA.

WHEREAS, the significant lack of rainfall accompanied by high winds have created conditions of severe drought within Creek County, Oklahoma, according to the National Weather Service, and

WHEREAS, the effects of the aforementioned weather conditions has produced an environment that engenders wildfires in Creek County; and

WHEREAS, Attending to wildfires has had a detrimental effect on fire and police agencies and emergency responders, due to the exorbitant amount of financial resources consumed in attending to these extraordinary wildfire events, have caused financial hardship in all political jurisdictions and fire district jurisdictions within Creek County, Oklahoma, causing considerable unbudgeted expense to agencies of local public jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, immediate attention is required to protect public health, reduce further damage, insure public safety and render emergency relief; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Creek County, Oklahoma, do find that the aforementioned conditions constitute a threat to the safety and welfare of the county, and do hereby create an emergency, to the extent such that declaration of a Ban on Burning is necessary pursuant to 2 O.S. §16-26.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Creek County, acting under the powers vested therein does hereby declare in Creek County a Burn Ban to be in effect for a seven (7) day period from date signed or until such time as weather conditions warrant the repeal and such repeal.

Done this 20th day of MARCH, 2017

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CREEK COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

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