

THE COUNTY JUDGE OF UPSHUR COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING
MARCH 19, 2025

WHEREAS, the Upshur County Judge finds present circumstances in all or part of the unincorporated areas of Upshur County create a public hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Upshur County Judge that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated areas of the county for 10 days from the date of the entry of this Order, unless the restriction is terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. Further this ban may be extended by action of the Upshur County Commissioners Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code Section 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit 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 Local Government Code Section 352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

SIGNED this 19th day of March, 2025, to take effect immediately

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dale D.", written over a horizontal line.

County Judge

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