

**Comanche County Burn Ban Proclamation/Resolution**

**WHEREAS**, the climate of the State of Oklahoma and Comanche County is conducive to the development of dry and hazardous burning conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, no significant rainfall (more than 1/2 inch) is forecasted for the next Three-Seven days (3-7) and the county is experiencing a moderate, severe, or extreme drought conditions and

**WHEREAS**, its is essential that actions be taken to protect the lives and property of the citizens of Comanche County

**WHEREAS**, it is important to conserve the resources of the county and its municipalities; and

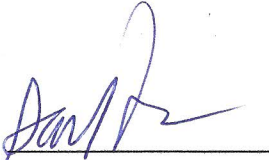
**WHEREAS**, the Comanche County Emergency Management Department, and a majority of Comanche County Fire Chiefs have determined that hazardous burning conditions do exist in the county.

**WHEREAS**, and law enforcement officer of the State of Oklahoma may carry out the enforcement of this resolution. Any person convicted of violating this resolution shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine or not more than Five-hundred Dollars (\$500.00), to imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche County Board of County Commissioners pursuant to the authority granted to the Board of Commissioners by Section 16\*26B of Title 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, do hereby proclaim that extreme fire dangers exists in Comanche County. This situation (as defined in Section 16-26.B1. a-d, Title 2. O.S.) has been verified by a documented concurrence of the majority of the County's municipal and rural fire chiefs, or their designees.

**WHEREAS**, exceptions to this fire prohibition and appropriate precautionary measures to be taken as per attached.

Adopted at an open meeting by the Board of Comanche County Commissioners This 9<sup>th</sup> Day of July 2012. This order is effective from July 09, 2012 – August 07, 2012

  
Chairman

  
Member

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County Clerk



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**EXCEPTIONS TO COMANCHE COUNTY BURN BAN**

**For equipment related to road construction projects:**

Equipment which uses propane or other controlled-type burners is generally regarded as safe, however it would be prudent to have a water pumper on standby anytime this equipment is used near a grassy right of way.

**Welding/cutting torch/grinding activities:**

When conducted over a non-combustible surface at least 10 feet by 10 feet and when welding blankets or screens are used to cover flammable vegetation; and

2. Wind speeds must be less than 20 mph: and

3. A fire watcher, other than the welder, is posted at the welding/cutting torch site with pressurized water or fire extinguisher.

**CAMPFIRES AND OUTDOOR COOKING**

Outdoor campfires or bonfires are prohibited. LPG and natural gas frills and charcoal-fired cooking outside in a grilling receptacle are permitted provided that the activity is conducted over a non-flammable surface 10 feet by 10 feet and at least five feet from flammable vegetation.

**PRESCRIBED BURNS ON FEDERAL LANDS**

Are exempt when conducted under the federal prescribed burn rules and regulations.

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