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Press Release

**TARRANT COUNTY IS NOW UNDER A
BAN ON OUTDOOR BURNING**

Today, October 1, 2019, the Tarrant County Commissioner's Court approved an **Outdoor Burning Ban** for Tarrant County. As of today, all outdoor burning in Tarrant County is **PROHIBITED**.

This Outdoor Burning Ban will be in place for the next ninety (90) days.

The unincorporated areas of Tarrant County have been determined to be under drought conditions by the Texas A&M Forest Service. The string of 100 plus degree days and lack of sufficient rainfall has created a potential for wildfires. These conditions have prompted the Tarrant County Fire Marshal to request the Ban on Outdoor Burning in an effort to protect lives and properties of the residents in Tarrant County.

A violation of the Court Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning is a class C Misdemeanor and punishable of a fine up to \$500.00.

For information on outdoor cooking and outdoor welding guidelines you can go to <http://access.tarrantcounty.com/en/fire-marshal.html>.

We urge all residents of Tarrant County to help us during this time. For our residents in the rural areas, we suggest that you make sure that you keep an area of approximately 30 feet mowed around your home and outbuildings to prevent a fire from reaching your structures.

We encourage all Tarrant County residents to BE SAFE.

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