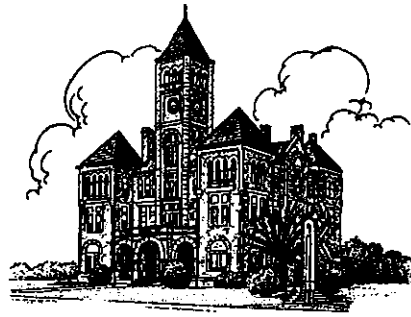


County
of DeWitt



307 N. Gonzales St.
CUERO, TEXAS 77954

ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, DeWitt County Commissioners Court has determined that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be increased by outdoor burning.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of DeWitt County that all outdoor burning is banned *effective on the 1st day of JULY 2009*, in the unincorporated areas of the county for 90 days from the effective date of this order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. Burning will be allowed in screen-covered containers with ½ inch or smaller openings. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code, Subsection 352.018, and other applicable statutes. The 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, Subsection 352.081 (h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

ADOPTED this the **29th** day of **June, 2009**, by a vote of **5** ayes and **0** nays.

Ben E. Prause
DeWitt County Judge

Attest:

Elva Petersen
DeWitt County Clerk