



ORDER LIFTING OUTDOOR BURN BAN HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS



WHEREAS, on February 6, 2026, the Hopkins County Commissioners Court found that circumstances presenting a public safety hazard existed due to dry weather conditions and issued an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning pursuant to Texas Local Government Code § 352.081; and

WHEREAS, the Hopkins County Commissioners Court has determined that drought conditions and the threat of wildfire have sufficiently subsided and that outdoor burning no longer presents an imminent danger to public health and safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS:

1. The Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning previously adopted by the Hopkins County Commissioners Court is hereby **rescinded and lifted**, effective immediately upon adoption of this Order.
2. Outdoor burning in unincorporated areas of Hopkins County, Texas, is no longer prohibited by County Order. All outdoor burning must continue to comply with applicable state laws and regulations, including those of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).
3. This Order does not authorize burning that is otherwise prohibited by state law, local ordinance, or other applicable regulations.

ORDERED AND APPROVED this the 10th day of March, 2026

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Robert Newsom".

Robert Newsom, Hopkins County Judge

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Tracy Smith".

ATTEST: Tracy Smith, Hopkins County Clerk

