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COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERK  
SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS

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COUNTY OF SUTTON §

### ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING

As of this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024, the Texas Fire Danger Rating based on fuels, weather, and topography per the Texas A&M Forest Service indicate a Moderate to High drought condition for all or part of the unincorporated area of Sutton County, which creates a public safety hazard that could be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by Sutton County Judge Joseph Harris under the authority designated by the Sutton County Commissioner's Court that all outdoor burning is prohibited as of this date in the unincorporated area of Sutton County not to be extended beyond the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the date this order is adopted, unless a determination is made that the circumstances no longer exist under Local Government Code § 352.081.

THIS ORDER does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized and regulated 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 Natural Resources Code §153.048 and meets the standards of Natural Resources Code § 153.047.

In accordance with Local Government Code §352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

Therefore, it is so ORDERED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024 as of 4:00 pm.



*Joseph Harris*  
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Attest: Pam Thorp by K. Holmes  
PAM THORP, County Clerk