

FOUNTAIN COUNTY

STATE OF INDIANA

COVINGTON, IN 47932

LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATAION

FOUNTAIN COUNTY, INDIANA

October 8, 2020

WHEREAS, Fountain County, Indiana is immediately threatened by a natural disaster-specifically county wide drought condition, and:

WHEREAS, as of the 8th day of October at 10:00 hours we find that Fountain County to be at risk of widespread fire hazards because of the ongoing drought conditions and:

WHEREAS, a County wide burn ban affecting certain activities is an appropriate safety response to the fire hazards presented by the current drought conditions;

NOW THEREFORE, we, the Fountain County Board of Commissioners, declare, pursuant to the previsions of IC 10-14-3-29, that a state of emergency exists in the County and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Indiana Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this declaration, to be in full force and effect in; the County for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection for the lives and property of the people of Fountain County.

We also declare that, effective immediately, the following activities are prohibited in Fountain County:

- 1. Campfires and other recreational fires, unless enclosed in a fire ring with dimensions of 23 inches in diameter X 10 inched high or larger;**
- 2. Open burning of any kind using conventional fuel such as wood, or other combustible matter, with the exception of grills fueled by charcoal briquettes or propane;**
- 3. The burning of debris, such as timber for vegetation, including such debris that results from building construction activities and any other open-air fires, including the use of fireworks;**

Burning will be allowed in burn barrels with a ¼” mesh top from dawn to dusk only. All burning must be monitored

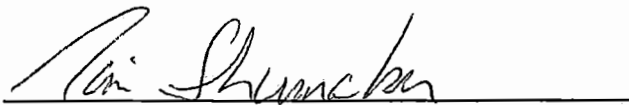
Reference is hereby made to all appropriate law, statutes, ordinances and resolutions and particularly to Section 10-14-3-29 of the Indiana Code.

All public office and employees of Fountain County are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties, required to them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency law, regulations, and directives whether state and local.

All residents are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures to cooperate with public officials and Emergency Management forces in executing emergency plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful direction of properly identified officers.

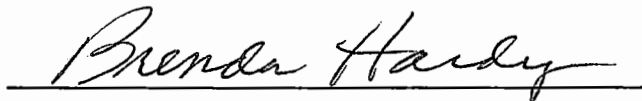
This Declaration will remain in effect until further notice.

FOUNTAIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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Fountain County Commissioner

Attested

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Brenda Hardy", is written over a horizontal line.

Fountain County Auditor