



STATE OF TEXAS

§
§
§

COUNTY OF JASPER

DECLARATION OF DISASTER

**FOR THE WILDFIRE INCIDENT CURRENTLY DESIGNATED BY THE STATE
OF TEXAS AS THE “SHEARWOOD CREEK (JASPER 3525) FIRE”**

WHEREAS, the County of Jasper, Texas, on the 24th day of August, 2023, was in imminent threat of widespread or severe damage to property, injury, or loss of life resulting from countywide drought conditions and wildfire threat. These conditions resulted in a wildfire in northern Jasper County near Texas Highway 63 and Recreational Road 255 (Sam Rayburn Parkway), currently designated by the State of Texas as the Shearwood Creek (Jasper 3525) Fire.

WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has reported that this wildfire has already consumed approximately 3,000 acres and up to 6 housing structures in Jasper County and that firefighting efforts are ongoing to obtain containment.


WHEREAS, measures have been taken to evacuate homes in the affected areas to protect the lives of residents.

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Jasper County, Texas, has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect or rehabilitate property and are necessary and hereby ordered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF JASPER COUNTY:


- I. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Jasper County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- II. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Jasper County, Texas.
- III. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- IV. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Jasper County Emergency Management Plan.

ORDERED this 25th day of August, 2023.

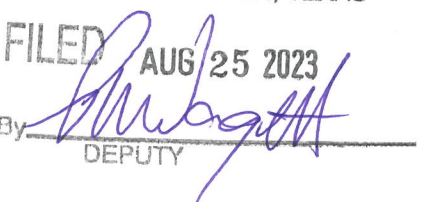


Mark W. Allen, County Judge
Jasper County, Texas

Attest:



Holly Thomas, County Clerk
Jasper County, Texas

HOLLY THOMAS, COUNTY CLERK
JASPER COUNTY, TEXAS
FILED AUG 25 2023
By 

DEPUTY