

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2022-20

Continued Declaration of an Extreme Drought and Fire Danger Emergency in Roosevelt County

WHEREAS, Roosevelt County as with other counties in Eastern New Mexico and West Texas, has experienced a prolonged drought with very little moisture; and,

WHEREAS, Roosevelt County has determined, based upon current drought indices published by the U.S. Drought Monitor Report, lack of precipitation, low humidity, and abundance of wildland grass and dry, fine fuels that there is a serious likelihood of fire danger in Roosevelt County; and,

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2014, the Roosevelt County Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance 2014-03 which established provisions for declaring severe fire hazard restrictions and fire danger emergencies and authority to mitigate the same; and,

WHEREAS, Roosevelt County believes that because of the weather conditions, a fire danger emergency exists and provisions set forth in Ordinance 2014-03 need to be implemented.

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Commissioners of Roosevelt County, which is the governing body of Roosevelt County, pursuant to its powers under §4-37-1, et seq., to provide for safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity and improve the moral, order and convenience of Roosevelt County and its inhabitants and finds it necessary to adopt this resolution.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that from this day forward until otherwise modified or rescinded, that burning within the unincorporated areas of Roosevelt County is prohibited pursuant to the provisions contained within Ordinance 2014-03, with the exception of agricultural burning shall be permitted.

The County Commissioners must renew this resolution every forty-five (45) days. If this resolution is not renewed within the designated timeframe, then it is hereby automatically terminated. In addition, the Roosevelt County Commissioners may terminate and rescind this Resolution at any appropriate time.

Any person charged with a violation of Ordinance 2014-03 shall be cited into court and, shall be subjected to the violations and penalties set forth in Section 12 of Ordinance 2014-03.

Violations shall be enforced by any Roosevelt County Sheriff's Deputy, or any State certified law enforcement officer.

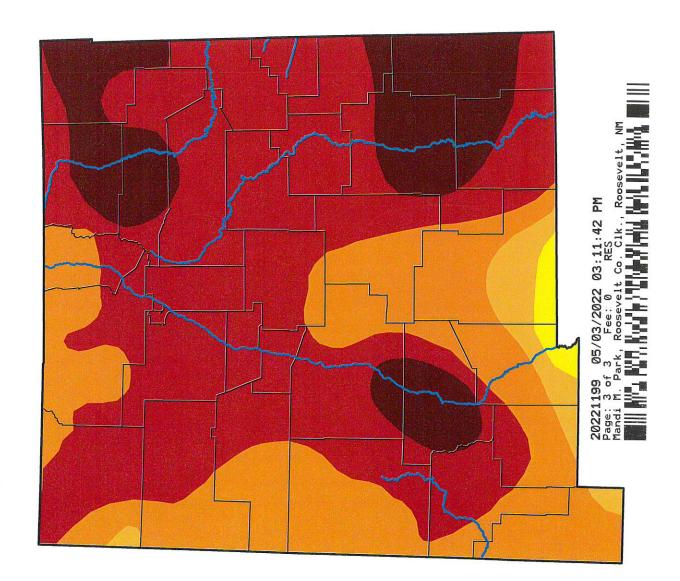
Any person who violates any provision of Ordinance 2014-03, or may be found guilty of a violation of Ordinance 2014-03, shall also be responsible and civilly liable for any costs, expenses or damages caused by any fire that may be created or started a result of said violation. In addition, said person shall also be responsible and be required to reimburse the County for the full cost of any and all labor or equipment use required to attend to or necessary to control, contain and/or suppress any fires caused thereby.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Resolution 2022-20 will be adopted for forty-five (45) days, commencing today May 3, 2022, and shall supersede Resolution 2020-17 adopted by the Board on April 5, 2022.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 3rd day of May, 2022 by the Roosevelt County Board of Commissioners in an open meeting in Portales, New Mexico.

Paul Grider-District V

U.S. Drought Monitor **New Mexico**



April 26, 2022

(Released Thursday, Apr. 28, 2022)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D0-D4 D1-D4 D2-D4 D3-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00 98.94	98.94	95.79	62.99	15.74
Last Week 04-19-2022	0.00	100.00	98.94	93.32	63.32	7.17
3 Months Ago 01-25-2022	0.00	100.00 97.15	97.15	78.16	30.01	1.88
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022	0.00	100.00	97.83	75.86	20.91	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-28-2021	10.70	89.30	79.47	49.33	19.12	0.00
One Year Ago 04-27-2021	0.00	100.00	100.00 100.00	99.37	80.93	53.16

Intensity:

None

D0 Abnormally Dry

D1 Moderate Drought

D3 Extreme Drought D2 Severe Drought

D4 Exceptional Drought

Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions.

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PROCLAMATION

Observing May 4, 2022 as Firefighter's Day and the Week of May 15-21, 2022 as Emergency Medical Services Week

WHEREAS, firefighting and emergency medical services are a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of firefighting and emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, firefighters often put the safety and wellbeing of others above their own; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services have grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the members of the firefighting and emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of firefighters and emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week and Firefighters Day;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Roosevelt County Board of Commission, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 15-21, 2022 as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK** and May 4, 2022 as

FIREFIGHTER'S DAY

and further extend appreciation to all our volunteer personnel in Roosevelt County.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the County of Roosevelt to be affixed this 3rd day of May 2022.

Attest:

Lewis "Shane" Lee, Chairman

Mandi Park, Clerk

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