



Legislation Text

File #: 22-5227, **Version:** 1

Department: County Judge

Department Head/Elected Official: Lina Hidalgo, County Judge

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Supplemental RCA

Type of Request: Policy

Project ID (if applicable): N/A

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): N/A

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable): N/A

MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable): N/A

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: N/A - Goal not applicable to request

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the County Judge, per the recommendation of the Fire Marshal, for termination, effective August 23, 2022, of the countywide burn ban, enacted June 28, 2022, in unincorporated areas of Harris County due to Texas Forest Service determination that drought conditions no longer exist within Harris County.

Background and Discussion:

The request for termination of the County Burn Ban is driven by current data metrics, projected weather patterns, and trend analysis. A County can implement a burn ban when the KBDI average is 575 or greater. The KBDI for Harris County on August 19, 2022, was 506 and predicted to drop lower as a result of rainfall predicted for August 19 through August 22, 2022.

Expected Impact:

Allow outdoor burning in unincorporated areas of Harris County.

Alternative Options: N/A

Alignment with Goal(s):

- ☒ Justice and Safety
- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Public Health
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Flooding
- ☒ Environment
- ☐ Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action (if any): N/A

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken

Location:

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary			
Service Name			
	SFY 22	FY 23	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Total Incremental Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Existing Budget			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Requested	\$	\$	\$
Total Funding Sources	\$	\$	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-

Anticipated Court Date: August 23, 2022

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date): N/A

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

Contact(s) name, title, department: Laurie L. Christensen, Fire Marshal, Harris County Fire Marshal's Office

Attachments (if applicable): Order