

Resolution 2011 0404

Whereas, a majority of the Tulsa County Fire Chiefs report that their departments are experiencing above-normal levels of fire occurrence; and,

Whereas, a majority of Tulsa County Fire Chiefs report that more than 20% of the fires in their areas of responsibility are from escaped burning debris or controlled burns; and,

Whereas, a majority of Tulsa County Fire Chiefs support an immediate burn ban resolution for Tulsa County; and

Whereas, a majority of Tulsa County Fire Chiefs recommend no exceptions to a burn ban resolution.

Now therefore, be it resolved, The Tulsa County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to O.S. Title 2, Section 16 - 26.B, do hereby proclaim that an extreme fire danger exists in Tulsa County, and that an **IMMEDIATE BURN BAN** exists in Tulsa County. This situation, as defined in the afore-mentioned section has been verified by a documented concurrence of the majority of the County’s municipal and rural fire chiefs or their delegates.

By virtue of this resolution, it is unlawful for any person to set fire to any forest, grass, range, crop, or other wild lands, or to build a campfire or bonfire, or to burn trash or other material that may cause a forest, grass, range, crop of other wild lands fire.

Enforcement of this resolution may be carried out by any law enforcement officer of this State. Any person convicted of violating this resolution shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), to imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

This resolution shall be effective immediately for a period not to exceed seven (7) days from the date of passage by the Board of County Commissioners. If extreme fire danger conditions persist, subsequent resolutions may be considered for passage. This BURN BAN may be removed at any time during the seven (7) day period in the same method by which it was approved.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 20_____

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

Earlene Wilson, County Clerk

John Smaligo, Chairman Pro Tempore

Karen Keith, Commissioner District 2

Fred Perry, Chairman