IN THE MATTER OF CORRECTING COUNTY COURT ORDER 2025-20: "IN THE MATTER OF FIRE HAZARD IN BAXTER COUNTY, ARKANSAS"

COURT ORDER NO. 2025 - 21

NOW on this 19th day of March, 2025, a day on which this Court deems to be in session, comes on for consideration of establishing a burn ban in the unincorporated areas of Baxter County.

Due to the current weather conditions and continued drying conditions, it has become necessary to ban all outdoor burning in Baxter County in accordance with Baxter County Code §360.02.

<u>Section 1</u>. The Court finds that an emergency situation exists in the unincorporated areas of Baxter County, and the hazard potential to life and property is such that a ban and prohibition against outdoor burning is hereby declared until such time as this order is lifted.

<u>Section 2</u>. This order shall be enforceable by and through the Baxter County Sheriff's Department.

<u>Section 3</u>. Outdoor burning may be permitted under special circumstances, when the Court is assured that all necessary and proper precautions are being enforced to ensure that burning constitutes no hazard to life and property. No outdoor burning shall be permitted in the absence of a written permit from the County Judge and the Fire Chief of the appropriate fire protection district, or governing body of their designee, i.e., U.S. Corp of Engineers, Arkansas State Park and Forest Service or the U.S. National Forest Service, please note A.C.A.§5-38-310(a)(7).

<u>Section 4</u>. Failure to comply with the burning ban shall constitute a misdemeanor. A misdemeanor allows the District Judge to set the fine from zero to \$500.00 for the first offense and up to \$1,000.00 for each subsequent offense.

NOW THEREFORE, the Baxter County Court hereby orders a Burn Ban in all unincorporated areas of Baxter County until such time conditions change and the Court lifts the ban.

ENTERED THIS 19th DAY OF MARCH 2025.

Baxter County Judge

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IN THE MATTER OF FIRE HAZARD IN BAXTER COUNTY, ARKANSAS

COURT ORDER NO. 2025 - 20

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ENTERED THIS 19th DAY OF APRIL 2025.

Kevin Litty

Baxter County Judge

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