

DISASTER EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION
CITY OF MUNCIE
DELAWARE COUNTY, INDIANA

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WHEREAS, Delaware County, Indiana including the City of Muncie is immediately threatened by a natural disaster-specifically city and county wide drought conditions, and;

WHEREAS, as of the 19th day of June, 2012 at 12:00 hours we find that Delaware County and the City of Muncie to be at risk of widespread fire hazards because of the ongoing drought conditions and;

WHEREAS, a City and County wide burning ban affecting certain activities is an appropriate public safety response to the fire hazards presented by the current drought conditions;

NOW THEREFORE, we, the Delaware County Executive Board of Commissioners, and the Honorable Mayor, City of Muncie declare, pursuant to the provisions of IC 10-14-3-29, that a state of emergency exists in the County and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Indiana Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this proclamation, to be in full force and effect in the City and County for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection of the lives and property of the people of City of Muncie and Delaware County.

We also declare that, effective immediately, the following activities are prohibited in the City of Muncie and Delaware County:

- 1. campfires and other recreational fires, unless enclosed in a fire ring with dimensions of 23 inches in diameter X 10 inches high or larger;**
- 2. open burning of any kind using conventional fuel such as wood, or other combustible matter, with the exception of grills fueled by charcoal briquettes or propane;**
- 3. the burning of debris, such as timber or vegetation, including such debris that results from building construction activities.**

Burning will be allowed in burn barrels with a ¼ inch mesh top from dawn to dusk only.

Charcoal from permitted grills shall not be removed from the grills until the charcoal has been thoroughly extinguished.

In addition, we strongly encourage our residents to attend public displays of fireworks and limit their personal use of fireworks to those that do not leave the ground, and that they refrain from using aerial firework devices.

Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws statutes, ordinances and resolutions and particularly to Section 10-14-3-29 of the Indiana Code.

All public offices and employees of the City of Muncie and Delaware County are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives whether state and local.

All residents are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster services forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.

All operating forces will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the Emergency Operations Center.

This Disaster Emergency Proclamation shall be in effect until June 26, 2012.

At that time the Delaware County Board of Commissioners and the Honorable Mayor of Muncie shall revisit the emergency to decide if the need for extension of the emergency proclamation is necessary.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand this 19 day of June, 2012.

DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:


President, Delaware County Commissioner


Mayor, City of Muncie


Delaware County Commissioner


Delaware County Commissioner

ATTEST.
Auditor

