



*Tommy Harmon*  
*Clay County Judge/Executive*

**DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY**

**11-08-2023**

WHEREAS, the dry condition in Clay County has created an urgent concern for the citizens of Clay County.

WHEREAS, forest fires cause significant strain on Emergency Services due to fires endangering structures and lives of our citizens;

WHEREAS, the current dry conditions creates the possibility of considerable hardship and puts public health, safety and welfare at risk for the citizens of Clay County.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tommy Harmon, Clay County Judge Executive, by authority vested in me by KRS 149.401, do hereby declare that a Burn Ban is now in effect until further notice and direct that:

- (A). An open burn ban be placed in effect immediately until further notice due the extraordinary dry conditions that exist;
- (B). All citizens and agencies of Clay County shall cooperate to the fullest extent with Clay County Emergency Management, Sheriff Department, and Division of Solid Waste and shall provide such assistance as may be required for effective responses.
- (C) Burning of forest, grass, crops, woodlands, marshes or other similar areas. Burning leaves or debris. Campfires, bonfires and warming fires. Open pit cooking and charcoal grilling.

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Tommy Harmon

Date 11-8-23

Clay County Judge Executive

Handwritten signature of Beverly Craft in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.

Beverly Craft Clerk

Date 11-8-23