Perry County Local Disaster Emergency Declaration
Emergency Burn Ban

Whereas, Perry County, Indiana has been, and is currently, in a prolonged period of drought which has created a state of emergency and urgent necessity: and

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Perry County, Indiana, find the potential for catastrophic fire hazards presented by current drought conditions: and

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Perry County, Indiana, find that a burn ban affecting certain activities is a highly appropriate public safety response to the hazards presented by the current drought conditions.

Now Therefore, we, the Board of Commissioners of Perry County, Indiana, declare pursuant to Indiana Code 10-14-3-29, that a state of emergency exists in Perry County, Indiana, and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Indiana Code which are applicable to the conditions and cause the issuance of this order to be in full force and effect in Perry County, Indiana, for the exercise of all necessary authority for the protection of the lives and property of the people of Perry County, Indiana.

We, the Board of Commissioners of Perry County, Indiana, also declare that effective immediately, the following activities are prohibited in Perry County, Indiana:

1. 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 and small campfires in approved fire rings;

2. The burning of debris, such as timber or vegetation, including such debris that results from building construction activities;

3. Igniting of aerial or projecting type fireworks for public or private display;

This emergency declaration issued this 22nd day of June, 2012, and shall continue until further notice.

Board of Commissioners
Perry County, Indiana