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PRESS RELEASE

From: Cameron County Emergency Management & Fire Marshal Service
To: Cameron County Municipalities Reference: Burn Ban Date: March
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Effective immediately

Due to current weather and ground conditions, Cameron County is issuing a restriction on all burning of any ground debris. Constituents are instructed not to burn leaves, grass or any applicable brush material during the next 90 days or upon termination of this burn ban.

This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operation; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Natural Resources Code §153.048 and meet the standards of Natural Resources Code §153.047

Failure to comply with this instruction may be cause for enforcement action to be imposed against violators. Constituents caught burning may be charged with a Class C misdemeanor and fined up to \$500.00. The start of an illegal fire can lead to civil liability for property damage caused by an out of control fire.

Questions in reference to the burn ban may be made to the Cameron County Emergency Management and Fire Marshal's Office (956) 547-7000 [M-F 8am to 5pm].

This ban goes into effect immediately.