

**ORDER DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER FOR FALLS COUNTY**

May 29, 2020

**WHEREAS**, the County of Falls, on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020, has suffered widespread or severe damage to buildings, homes, power lines, crops, livestock and much more (or there is imminent threat of same) resulting from hail, strong winds and flooding and;


**WHEREAS**, the judge of the County of Falls has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, FALLS COUNTY JUDGE, JAY T. ELLIOTT, DECLARE pursuant to the authority granted by the Texas Disaster Act of the Texas Government Code Chapter 418, as follows:

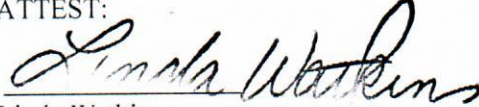
1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Falls County, Texas pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code;
2. By this declaration, Falls County's Emergency Management Plan is hereby activated, and all other statutory powers vested in me and all officers of Falls County to act in this local state of disaster are activated. This declaration shall also activate all recovery and rehabilitation aspects of all applicable local and interjurisdictional emergency management plans and authorizes the furnishing of all aid and assistance as deemed necessary or desirable by those administering such plans;
3. By this declaration, I declare all rules and regulations that may inhibit or prevent prompt response to this threat be suspended for the duration of this declaration and any extension there of;
4. Pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of the Texas Government Code Chapter 418, I shall exercise any and all necessary powers set out thereunder and I hereby authorize the use of all available resources of state government and political subdivision to assist in Falls County's response to this disaster;
5. That this state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days of the date hereof, unless the same is continued by consent of the Commissioners Court of the County of FALLS, Texas.

Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this Declaration and Order shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Falls County Clerk. Pursuant to section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of local disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of this Declaration and Order unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Falls County, Texas.

This Declaration and Order is adopted this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020 at 3:01 p.m. and all aspects and requirements set forth herein are effective immediately thereafter.

  
Jay T. Elliott  
Falls County Judge

ATTEST:

  
Linda Watkins  
Falls County Clerk

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