



STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF POLK

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Sabolana Hoke
POLK COUNTY CLERK

DECLARATION OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, the County of Polk, Texas, has suffered from flooding along the Trinity River that began on the 14th day of October 2018 and the National Weather Service forecasts that the Trinity River will remain in major flood stage through the following week. Floodwaters moving down the Trinity River from North Texas in the areas along the Trinity River and below the Lake Livingston Dam as well as additional local rainfall have caused damage to public and private property and the endangerment of the health and safety of the residents of Polk County.

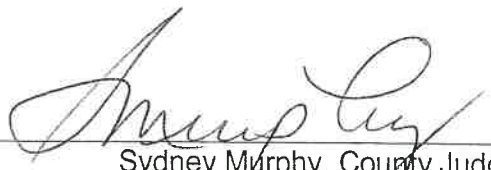
WHEREAS, additional rainfall and significant water from North Texas is forecast to continue moving down the Trinity River for the next thirty (30) days placing Polk County in imminent threat of additional flooding. Flooding along the Trinity River in Polk County has flooded structures and may cause damage to roads and bridges, preventing access to or safe passage on many roadways. Such conditions will create a public safety hazard.

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Polk County, Texas, has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect life, as well as to protect or rehabilitate property, and are necessary and hereby ordered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF POLK COUNTY:

- I. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Polk County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- II. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners' Court of Polk County, Texas.
- III. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- IV. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the county/city Emergency Management Plan.

ORDERED this 19th day of October, 2018.


Sydney Murphy, County Judge
Polk County, Texas