



THE COUNTY OF NEWTON

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COMMISSIONERS COURT

KENNETH WEEKS, County Judge
WILLIAM L. FULLER, Precinct 1
PHILLIP WHITE, Precinct 2
GARY FOMBY, Precinct 3
WESLEY E. THOMPSON, Precinct 4

State of Texas

No. 7002

County of Newton

CONTINUED DECLARATION OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, Newton County, Texas on the 25th day of August, 2020, was in imminent threat of a weather event currently designated as Hurricane Laura, as described in reports issued by the United States Weather Service and the Texas State Operations Center, potentially causing widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life and property resulting from countywide conditions created by torrential rainfall and hurricane force winds over an excessive period of time, affecting Newton County by causing major infrastructure damage preventing access to or the safe passage on many roadways, as well as the potential for long term countywide electrical power and utility outages. Such conditions have created a public safety hazard.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Newton County, Texas, has determined, based upon the National Weather Service and the Texas State Operations Center, 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 COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY:

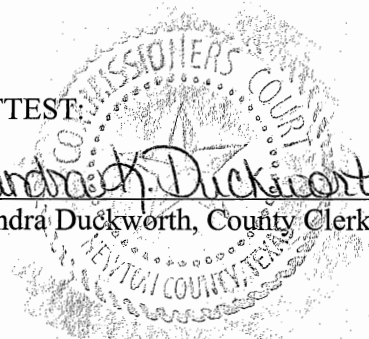
- I. That a local state of disaster is hereby extended for Newton County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- II. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue through September 14, 2020, unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Newton 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 31st day of August, 2020.

Kenneth Weeks, County Judge
Newton County, Texas

ATTEST:

Sandra Duckworth, County Clerk



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BY:
SANDRA K. DUCKWORTH, COUNTY CLERK