

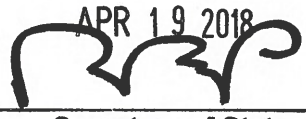


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

April 19, 2018

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
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The Honorable Rolando B. Pablos
Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

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Secretary of State

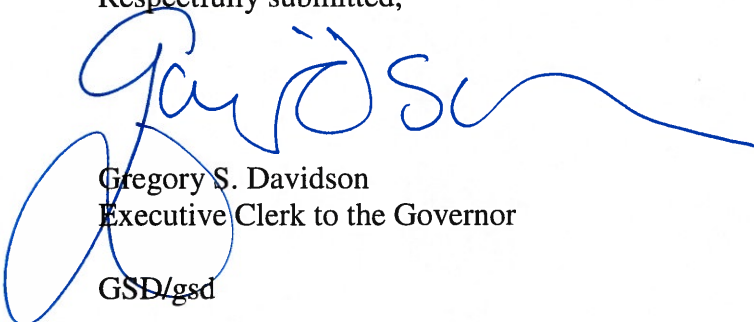
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation certifying that exceptional drought conditions pose a threat of imminent disaster in an additional specified number of counties in the State of Texas.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

A large, stylized blue ink signature of Gregory S. Davidson.

Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Attachment

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

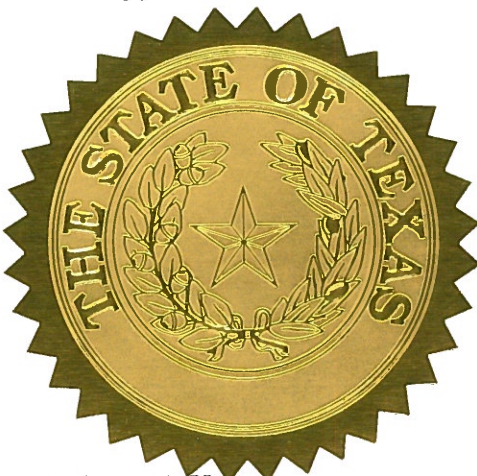
I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on Friday, April 13, 2018, certifying that exceptional drought conditions posed a threat of imminent disaster for Armstrong, Andrews, Archer, Bastrop, Baylor, Bell, Bosque, Briscoe, Burnet, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Collingsworth, Coryell, Cottle, Crosby, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Erath, Falls, Floyd, Foard, Gaines, Garza, Gray, Hall, Hamilton, Hansford, Hardeman, Hartley, Haskell, Hemphill, Hill, Hutchinson, Johnson, Kent, King, Knox, Lee, Limestone, Lipscomb, Loving, Lubbock, Lynn, McLennan, Milam, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Robertson, Shackelford, Sherman, Somervell, Stephens, Stonewall, Swisher, Throckmorton, Travis, Wheeler, Wilbarger, Williamson, Winkler, Yoakum, and Young counties. Those same conditions continue to exist in these and other counties in Texas.

THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby amend the aforementioned proclamation and declare a disaster in these additional counties: Borden, Callahan, Coke, Dawson, Ellis, Fisher, Glasscock, Howard, Jones, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Navarro, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Sterling, Taylor, and Terry.

Pursuant to Section 418.017 of the Texas Government Code, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to protect life or property threatened by this declared disaster, I hereby authorize the suspension of such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.



ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Pablos".

ROLANDO B. PABLOS
Secretary of State

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 19th day of April, 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

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