



# *County of Bladen*

## **NORTH CAROLINA**

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### **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, recent dry weather, increased winds and lower humidity have led to an increase in wildfire danger in Bladen County; and

WHEREAS, recent dry weather conditions have led to situations requiring multiple agencies and fire departments to control; and

WHEREAS, fire danger within Bladen County remains at extreme levels with little to no chances of rain forecast in the near future;

IT IS THEREFORE PROCLAIMED by the Fire Marshal of Bladen County that pursuant to Section 307 of the Fire Prevention Code of North Carolina, as the Fire Marshal and authorized Fire Official of Bladen County, all bonfires and outdoor rubbish fires are prohibited in Bladen County until further notice. This proclamation shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. EDT, May 30, 2019 and shall remain in effect until local conditions indicate that the hazardous period has passed. The citizens of Bladen County are urged to do everything possible to minimize the risk of fire during this period.

This restriction shall extend outward from all residential structures 100 feet. This proclamation does not prohibit outdoor charcoal or gas grills provided precautions are taken to prevent fire from escaping those appliances.

Kenneth T. Clark,  
Fire Marshal