2022-27 A Resolution declaring that a drought emergency exists in DeSoto County and implementing the provisions of "The Emergency Drought Conditions Fire Hazard" Ordinance.

Adopted April 26, 2022
DESOOTO COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2022- 27

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, DECLARING THAT A DROUGHT EMERGENCY EXISTS IN DESOTO COUNTY AND IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF “THE EMERGENCY DROUGHT CONDITIONS FIRE HAZARD” ORDNANCE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, on May 23, 2017, adopted Ordinance NO 2017-07, “The Emergency Drought Conditions Fire Hazard” Ordinance, and

WHEREAS, for the past several months DeSoto County has had a significant rainfall deficit leading to drought like conditions in the County, and

WHEREAS, this drought like condition has greatly affected vegetation in the County by making it very susceptible to wildfires; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, has approved this Declaration of Drought Emergency pursuant to Ordinance NO 2017-07, and finds that it is necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board hereby approves and adopts the Declaration of Drought Emergency which declares that a drought emergency exists in DeSoto County.

2. The provision of Ordinance NO 2017-07 are hereby implemented effective immediately.

3. The County Administrator is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Department of Agriculture, Division of Forestry, the DeSoto County Public Safety Department and Office of Emergency Management, and to the Sheriff of DeSoto County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, this 26th day of April, 2022.

ATTEST:

MANDY HINES
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: ELTON LANGFORD
CHAIRMAN

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

DONALD D. CONN
COUNTY ATTORNEY