



**COUNTY OF REEVES, TEXAS
No. 3 AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE LEO HUNG
DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER DUE TO
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDED ORDER: APRIL 9, 2020**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Reeves County Judge Leo Hung issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 20, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 20, 2020 Order of County Judge Leo Hung be amended as set forth below;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

WHEREAS, all local government entities and businesses should be allowed to continue providing essential services during the COVID-19 disaster, and all critical infrastructure should be allowed to remain operational.

WHEREAS, Reeves County, Texas, is taking extraordinary measures to prevent the spread of this potentially devastating disease in our community; and


WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency protective measures be taken pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management and Public Health, pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code.

WHEREAS, by Declaration of Local State of Disaster on March 20, 2020 Reeves County is authorized to take any actions necessary to promote health and suppress the virus, including the quarantine of persons and occupied structures, examining and regulating hospitals, regulating ingress and egress from the County, regulating ingress and egress to occupied structures, establishment of quarantine stations, emergency hospitals, and other hospitals, and insuring compliance for those who do not comply with the County's rules and directives.

THEREFORE, County Judge Leo Hung issues this order. This Order does not supersede or replace any other orders issued by Judge Hung pursuant to and under the authority of the Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency and such other orders remain in full force and effect pursuant to their terms:

1. This Order shall be in effect beginning at 11.59 P.M. April 9, 2020 and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 12, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
2. The Balmorhea Lake located 2 miles southeast of Balmorhea, Texas shall be closed to all visitors.
3. This order does not affect the residents of Balmorhea Lake who shall have the right of ingress and egress to their properties.
4. The Red Bluff Reservoir commonly known as Red Bluff Lake located 40 miles north of Pecos, Texas shall be closed to all visitors.
5. This order does not affect the residents of Red Bluff Lake who shall have the right of ingress and egress to their properties.
6. The Reeves County Sheriff's Office and other peace officers are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



County Judge
Reeves County, Texas

Attest:


Dianne Florez, Reeves County Clerk

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2:15 o'clock P M

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REEVES COUNTY CLERK, REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS
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