

DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, the health, life, and property of the residents of Culberson County is under imminent threat of disaster from the human trafficking occurring on our border with Mexico. The on-going border crisis has resulted in vast numbers of illegal aliens invading Culberson County and overwhelming our local, state, and federal law enforcement. Culberson County will no longer tolerate the sovereignty and territorial integrity of our borders to be violated by illegal immigration.

WHEREAS, the safety of the residents of Culberson County is under imminent threat of disaster from an elevated risk of encounters resulting from the human trafficking occurring on our border with Mexico. The limited resources of Culberson County cannot adequately furnish the necessary facilities to process thousands of migrants; and

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Culberson County, Texas, has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to ensure the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of county residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF Culberson County, Texas:

1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Culberson County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
2. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless renewed by the County Judge or continued by the Commissioners' Court of Culberson County, Texas.
3. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk of Culberson County, Texas.
4. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Culberson County emergency management plan.
5. Pursuant to Section 362.003(a) of the Texas Local Government Code, this local state of disaster is intended to authorize, and does hereby declare, that a state of civil emergency exists in Culberson County, Texas, and requests the assistance of additional law enforcement to uphold the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the county.

Filed this 10th day of
February A.D. 2025
at 11:30 o'clock A.M.
Tina Urias
County Clerk
By [Signature] Deputy

6. Pursuant to Section 433.005(a) of the Texas Government Code, this local state of disaster is intended to request, and does hereby request, that the Governor of Texas provide state military forces to aid in controlling conditions in the county by assisting the County Sheriff in the enforcement of law and the preservation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the county.
7. That this declaration hereby authorizes the use of all lawfully available resources and authority granted under both the Constitution of Texas and the Constitution of the United States.
8. That this declaration shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance and, upon approval by the Culberson County Commissioners' Court, shall continue in effect until terminated by the County Judge. Pursuant to this declaration, additional directives may be issued by the County Judge at any time deemed necessary.

DECLARED this 10th day of February 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Urias', written over a horizontal line.

**Carlos G. Urias
Culberson County Judge
Culberson County, Texas**