



Proclamation

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF COMAL §
CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS §

WHEREAS, Texas is experiencing unprecedented growth and development in areas that were once rural, coupled with an increase in the occurrence of wildfires; and

WHEREAS, it is in these areas where developments meet vegetation, or the Wildland Urban Interface, that the greatest risk to public safety and property from wildfire exists; and

WHEREAS, the best defense is preparedness and public education concerning the dangers that wildfires pose to the residents and natural resources of New Braunfels; and

WHEREAS, a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) is authorized under the provisions outlined in Title I of the Healthy Forest Restoration Act of 2003; and

WHEREAS, a CWPP is a written document, mutually agreed upon by local, state and federal representatives and stakeholders that identifies how a community will reduce its risks from wildland fire; and

WHEREAS, a CWPP addresses structural ignitability, prioritizes hazardous fuel reduction efforts on public and private lands, and is developed collaboratively; and

WHEREAS, the development of a CWPP gives a community an opportunity to influence the way hazardous fuels are reduced on Federal lands in proximity to communities; and

WHEREAS, communities with a CWPP offer the best solution for communities at risk from wildfire to mitigate said risks.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the New Braunfels City Council urges all New Braunfels residents to participate in the development of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan in accordance with the Healthy Forest Restoration Act.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this 10th day of September 2018.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS

BARRON CASTEEL, MAYOR