RESOLUTION # 2018-13

STATE OF TEXAS § IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

COUNTY OF COMAL §

SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN

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, the greatest risk to public safety and property from wildfires exists in those areas where developments meet vegetation – the wildland-urban interface – and the best defense is preparedness and public education concerning the dangers that wildfires pose to the residents and natural resources of Comal County; and

WHEREAS, a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) – 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 – is authorized under the provisions outlined in Title 1 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003; 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 manner in which hazardous fuels are reduced on federal lands in proximity to communities, and offers the best way for communities to mitigate their risk from wildfires.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Commissioners Court of Comal County, duly acting in its capacity as the governing body of Comal County, hereby supports the development of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan in accordance with the Healthy Forests Restoration Act.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of April, 2018.

SHERMAN KRAUSE, COUNTY JUDGE

Absent

DONNA ECCLESTON
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1

KEVIN WEBB
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3

SCOTT HAAG
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2

JEN CROWNover
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ATTEST: BOBBIE KOEPP, COUNTY CLERK