



COMAL COUNTY

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Contact:

Cary Zayas
Public Information Officer
zayasc@co.comal.tx.us
830.221.1110

Comal County Declares Local Disaster

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: February 14, 2021:

NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County Judge Sherman Krause today signed a Local Disaster Declaration caused by a winter weather emergency.

The declaration takes effect immediately for a period of not more than seven days, unless it is continued or renewed by consent of the Comal County Commissioners Court.

On Friday, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued a disaster declaration in all 254 counties in response to severe winter weather that is impacting the state.

“We are taking all measures necessary to make sure Comal County is response ready and safe,” said County Judge Sherman Krause. “We will work together, our community included, to safely get through these dangerous weather conditions. Please, stay home and off the roads right now.”

The declaration states that severe weather has moved into Comal County and could lead to prolonged loss of electrical power, dangerous road surfaces and unsafe infrastructure within the county.

Judge Krause urges residents to stay home and seek shelter, avoid driving if possible and take all the measures necessary to ensure the safety of people and animals in your care.

The Electric Reliability Council of Texas also urges all Texans to conserve power in their homes and businesses as much as possible during the extreme weather.

Residents can stay up to date with emergency information by visiting www.co.comal.tx.us and by checking the County’s Facebook and other social media pages.

**WINTER WEATHER EMERGENCY
DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR COMAL COUNTY, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2021, Governor Greg Abbott certified that severe winter weather poses an imminent threat of widespread and severe property damage, injury, and loss of life due to prolonged freezing temperatures, heavy snow, and freezing rain statewide and declared a state of disaster in all 254 Texas counties; and

WHEREAS, the severe weather has moved into Comal County and could lead to prolonged loss of electrical power, dangerous road surfaces, and unsafe infrastructure within the County, threatening the lives of all residents; and

WHEREAS, the County Judge urges all residents to stay at home if they can, to seek shelter, avoid driving if possible, and to take all cautionary measures to ensure the safety of all persons and animals in their care.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF COMAL COUNTY, TEXAS:

Section 1. A local state of disaster caused by the winter weather emergency is declared for Comal County, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

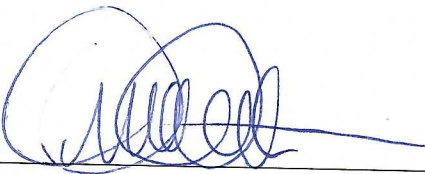
Section 2. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the local state of disaster prompted by this winter weather emergency shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by consent of the Commissioners Court of Comal County.

Section 3. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster due to the winter weather emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Comal County Clerk.

Section 4. Pursuant to Chapter 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster due to this winter weather emergency activates the Comal County Emergency Management Plan.

Section 5. This Declaration shall take effect immediately.

ORDERED this the 14th day of February, 2021, in the County of Comal, Texas.



Sherman Krause,
County Judge, Comal County, Texas