



McKENZIE COUNTY

FIRE EMERGENCY/DISASTER DECLARATION IN REGARDS TO WILDFIRE NEAR GRASSY BUTTE, ND

July 10th, 2017

WHEREAS, a wildfire engulfed a minimum of 5,000 acres in the Grassy Butte area of McKenzie County; and,

WHEREAS, local Volunteer Fire Departments from Grassy Butte, Watford City, Keene, Alexander, Arnegard, the McKenzie County Ambulance, McKenzie County Sheriff Office, the West Dunn County Fire Department, and the U.S. Forest Service responded to the incident and have been fighting this wildfire since July 8th, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, under N.D.C.C. 37-17.1-10, the Chairman of the McKenzie County Board of County Commissioners has the authority, as principal executive officer of the county under the statute, declare a local disaster and/or emergency for up to 7 days;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Douglas Nordby, as Chairman of the McKenzie County Board of County Commissioners, under authority of N.D.C.C. 37-17.1-10, hereby declares an emergency and/or disaster exists in McKenzie County, North Dakota due to a wildfire in the Grassy Butte area; and

FURTHER, this declaration activates the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local disaster or emergency operational plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance.

DATED at Watford City, North Dakota this 10th day of July, 2017.

A blue ink signature of Douglas Nordby, written over a horizontal line.

Douglas Nordby, Chairman
McKenzie County Commission