



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

**AMENDING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR  
GEORGIA WILDFIRES**

**WHEREAS:** On April 22, 2026, I issued Executive Order No. 04.22.26.01, declaring a State of Emergency for Georgia Wildfires in 91 counties in South Georgia that were at high risk for wildfires; and

**WHEREAS:** The State of Emergency for Georgia Wildfires adopted and incorporated an administrative order from the Georgia Forestry Commission implementing a temporary burn ban in the 91 counties covered by the declaration; and

**WHEREAS:** Although the risk of wildfires remains high, favorable weather conditions have lowered the risk in many areas, and in consultation with the Georgia Forestry Commission and the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, I have determined that the State of Emergency for Georgia Wildfires can be lifted in many of the affected counties.

**NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO CODE SECTIONS 38-3-28 AND 38-3-51, AND THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY**

**ORDERED:** That the State of Emergency for Georgia Wildfires shall be lifted in all counties except for: Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Berrien, Brantley, Camden, Charlton, Clinch, Coffee, Echols, Glynn, Jeff Davis, Lanier, Lowndes, Pierce, Ware, and Wayne counties (the "Affected Counties").

**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:** That the administrative order from the Georgia Forestry Commission instituting a temporary burn ban, which was incorporated into Executive Order No. 04.22.26.01 as if issued therein, is correspondingly lifted in all counties except for the Affected Counties as described in this Order.

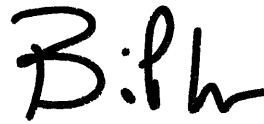
**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:** That except as modified by this Order, the provisions of Executive Order No. 04.22.26.01 shall remain in effect until the State of Emergency for Georgia Wildfires expires or the provisions are otherwise terminated via subsequent Executive Order.

**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:** That this Order shall be effective upon signature.

This 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill", is positioned above a horizontal line.

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**GOVERNOR**