

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE APACHE COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
May 18, 2026
St. Johns, Arizona

Present was Supervisor Nelson Davis, County Attorney Jasmine Blackwater-Nygren, Chief Deputy County Attorney Chris Resare and Ryan Patterson, Clerk of the Board/County Manager. Chairman Alton Joe Shepherd and Vice Chairman Joe Shirley, Jr. participated via the telephone.

Chairman Shepherd called to order the Board of Supervisors meeting at 1:02 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' chambers, County Annex Building, 75 West Cleveland Street, St. Johns, Arizona.

Mr. Patterson presented the item on behalf of Emergency Management, discussion and possible approval of a resolution declaring Stage I fire restrictions for unincorporated areas within Apache County beginning May 19, 2026 due to drier than normal conditions and extreme fire danger. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Davis.** Vote was unanimous.

Resolution # 2026 - 06

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF APACHE COUNTY,
ARIZONA, DECLARING STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS DUE TO SEVERE
TEMPERATURES AND EXTREME FIRE DANGER**

WHEREAS, Apache County Board of Supervisors has previously enacted Ordinance 2019-10 establishing the Apache County Outdoor Fire Ordinance detailing restrictions and punishments in certain situations of high fire danger, and;

WHEREAS, Apache County has a legal and ethical obligation to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Apache County, and;

WHEREAS, the people, lands, infrastructure and economic activities within the boundaries of Apache County are under imminent threat from wildfire due to strong winds, relatively high temperatures and extremely dry conditions, and;

WHEREAS, the threat of such fires serves as a detriment of the County's residents' health, safety, welfare and economic well-being;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, effective May 19, 2026, at 8:00 a.m., the Board of Supervisors of Apache County, Arizona, does hereby establish Stage 1 Fire Restrictions as defined in Apache County Ordinance 2019-10, with the obligations and sanctions established therein.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED at St. Johns, Arizona on May 18, 2026.

APACHE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERIVOSRS

/s/ Alton Joe Shepherd
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:
/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board

Mr. Shirley moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Davis. Vote was unanimous.

Approved this 2nd day of June, 2026.

/s/ Alton Joe Shepherd
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:
/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board