



STATE OF TEXAS

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RE: Limestone County Fairground Building(s)

As the County Judge I have tried to stay as informed as possible about the Coronavirus (COVID-19). At first we were told to be worried, but not to worry. With each passing day it appears that the concern has been elevated more and more. It is very difficult to remain calm and continue business as usual with all the closings of everything from Professional Athletic events, Colleges, local Schools, etc., etc., etc. Today I was told that there should not be any events where there would be over 50 people. While I have not been notified of ANY confirmed positive diagnoses for COVID-19, according to Governor Abbott it is not "if, but when" Limestone County will have cases. The scary part of this virus is that many people have the virus and develop *no symptoms*. These "seemingly virus free" people then pass this to vulnerable folks and it continues to spread. Today I must make a decision on the upcoming County Fair and its use of the Limestone County Fairground Building(s). This decision is not being made lightly, however, I must say that Limestone County will abide by the social distancing recommendations that will hopefully help to control the virus. With that being said, we will need to close the Limestone County Show Barn to all events until further notice. I intend to work with the Limestone County Fair Association Board and look at any and all other options. I promise to stay on top of this and report as soon as I know anything.

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Respectfully submitted

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