

## Pineland Road Fire

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According to the GFC, there are 78 single residences and 51 other minor structures threatened within 72 hours (35 other minor structures destroyed); residences, outbuildings, hunting camps, commercial timber, and commercial bee operations threatened, particularly around Fruitland and Bamberg.

Another major fire in Brantley County, the Highway 82 Fire, is now at 22,471 acres and 87% contained.

Assistance for firefighters and emergency officials is being coordi-

nated through EMA offices in Echols County and Clinch County.

Clinch County EMA Director Andrew Nelson can be reached at 912-487-3700 and Echols County EMA Director Allen Levesque can be reached at 229-559-6538. Updates on the fire's progress can be found online at the Clinch County EMA Facebook page, at the Georgia Forestry Commission website (gatrees.org), and on the Clinch County News or Lanier County Advocate Facebook page. Please see those sites for updated information.

## County Commission

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the meeting.

In other action from the meeting, the commissioners:

- Approved the agenda for the May 4 meeting.

- Approved the minutes of the April 16 meeting.

- Tabled a discussion on electrical hookups at the Robbins Building, until Commissioner O' Berry got a certified

electrician to look at the existing hookups, and they decided how they want the hookups to be installed.

- Approved the Fiscal Year 2027 budget calendar.

- Approved a contract for medical services with Clinch Memorial Hospital.

- Adopted a proclamation making May of 2026 Mental Health Awareness Month.

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