

# USDA Issues Quarantine Designation for 15 Primary Counties in Minnesota News Release | Minnesota | April 11, 2024

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### Low-Interest Emergency Loans Available to Poultry Producers Affected by Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) extends muchneeded emergency credit to producers recovering from natural disasters and, in this case, quarantines through <u>emergency loans</u>. Emergency loans can be used to meet various needs including the replacement of essential items such as equipment or livestock, reorganization of a farming operation or refinancing certain debts. FSA will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

#### State: Minnesota

<u>**Triggering Disaster Event</u>**: Damage and losses caused by Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Quarantine imposed by the Minnesota Board of Animal Health beginning October 8, 2023, and continuing.</u>

#### Application Deadline: December 4, 2024

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Becker, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Douglas, Kandiyohi, Meeker, Olmsted, Otter Tail, Redwood, Stearns, Steele, Swift, Todd, Wright

#### Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

**Minnesota:** Benton, Carver, Cass, Chippewa, Clay, Clearwater, Cottonwood, Dodge, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Grant, Hennepin, Hubbard, Lac qui Parle, Le Sueur, Lyon, McLeod, Mahnomen, Martin, Morrison, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Norman, Pope, Renville, Rice, Sherburne, Stevens, Traverse, Wabasha, Wadena, Waseca, Watonwan, Wilkin, Winona, Yellow Medicine

#### South Dakota: Grant, Roberts

#### **More Resources**

On farmers.gov, the <u>Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool</u>, <u>Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet</u>, and <u>Loan Assistance Tool</u> can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local <u>USDA Service Center</u>.

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