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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates 2 New Hampshire Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Due to Severe Storm and Flooding

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This Presidential disaster declaration allows the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) to extend much-needed emergency credit to producers recovering from natural disasters through <u>emergency loans</u>. Emergency loans can be used to meet various recovery needs including the replacement of essential items such as equipment or livestock, reorganization of a farming operation, or to refinance certain debts. FSA will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available, and repayment ability.

Impacted Area: New Hampshire Triggering Disaster: Severe Storm and Flooding that occurred January 9 – January 14, 2024 Application Deadline: December 19, 2024 Primary Counties Eligible: Grafton and Rockingham Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: New Hampshire: Belknap, Carroll, Coos, Hillsborough, Merrimack, Strafford, Sullivan Maine: York Massachusetts: Middlesex

Vermont: Caledonia, Essex, Orange, Windsor

More Resources

On farmers.gov, the <u>Disaster Assistance Discovery</u> <u>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>.

FEMA offers different assistance programs for individual citizens, public groups including government agencies and private nonprofit organizations. To find the FEMA help you need following a disaster event, visit fema.gov/assistance.

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