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## Farm Service Agency

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

# USDA Designates One Oklahoma County as Primary Natural Disaster Areas for Drought

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This Secretarial natural disaster designation 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.

According to the <u>U.S. Drought Monitor</u>, these counties suffered from a drought intensity value during the growing season of 1) D2 Drought-Severe for eight or more consecutive weeks or 2) D3 Drought-Extreme or D4 Drought-Exceptional.

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought

Application Deadline: February 24, 2025

Impacted Area: Oklahoma

**Primary Counties Eligible: Beaver** 

## **Contiguous Counties Eligible:**

Oklahoma: Ellis, Harper, Texas Kansas: Clark, Meade, Seward Texas: Lipscomb, Ochiltree

Triggering Disaster 2: Drought

**Application Deadline**: February 26, 2025

Impacted Area: Kansas

Primary Counties Eligible: Haskell, Seward

### **Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

Kansas: Finney, Grant, Gray, Kearny, Meade, Stevens

Oklahoma: Beaver, Texas

Triggering Disaster 3: Drought

**Application Deadline**: February 24, 2025

**Impacted Area:** Kansas

Primary Counties Eligible: Meade, Sedgwick

### **Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

Kansas: Butler, Clark, Cowley, Ford, Gray, Harvey, Haskell, Kingman, Reno, Seward, Sumner

Oklahoma: Beaver

#### 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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