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Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates 8 Nebraska Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Due to Severe Winter Storm and Straight-line Winds

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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 [emergency loans](#). 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: Nebraska

Triggering Disaster: Severe Winter Storm and Straight-line Winds that occurred during the period of April 6-April 7, 2024.

Application Deadline: January 24, 2025

Primary Counties Eligible: Banner, Cheyenne, Dawes, Garden, Kimball, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, and Sioux

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Nebraska: Arthur, Box Butte, Deuel, Grant, Keith, and Sheridan

Colorado: Logan, Sedgwick, and Weld

South Dakota: Fall River and Oglala Lakota

Wyoming: Goshen, Laramie, and Niobrara

More Resources

On farmers.gov, the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet](#), and [Loan Assistance Tool](#) can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or

to ask questions about available programs, contact your local [USDA Service Center](#).

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](https://www.fema.gov/assistance).

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