

## Farm Service Agency U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

# USDA Designates 4 Wyoming Counties 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.

Impacted Area: Wyoming

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought that triggered beginning 08/20/2024.

**Application Deadline**: 04/28/2025

**Primary Counties Eligible:** 

**Wyoming - Campbell, Converse, Niobrara and Weston** 

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:** 

WY- Albany, Carbon, Crook, Goshen, Johnson, Natrona, Platte and Sheridan

**Additional States:** 

Montana – Custer, Powder River and Custer

South Dakota – Lawrence, Pennington and Fall River

#### **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 USDA Service Center.

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