



Farm Service Agency
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

USDA Designates Clearwater, Faribault, Martin, Redwood, and Traverse Counties in Minnesota as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Due to Excessive Rain and Flooding

Emergency Designation | Minnesota | December 31, 2024

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Numerous additional contiguous counties eligible for assistance in Minnesota and North Dakota.

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 [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: Minnesota

Triggering Disaster 1: S5913 Excessive Rain from April 1 through July 18, 2024

Application Deadline: August 25, 2025

Primary Counties Eligible: Clearwater

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Minnesota: Becker, Beltrami, Hubbard, Mahnomen, Pennington, Polk

Triggering Disaster 2: S5914 Excessive Rain, Hail, and High Winds from April 17 through September 15, 2024

Application Deadline: August 25, 2025

Primary Counties Eligible: Traverse

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Minnesota: Big Stone, Grant, Stevens, Wilkin

North Dakota: Richland

South Dakota: Roberts

Triggering Disaster 3: S5915 Excessive Rain from June 15 through June 22, 2024

Application Deadline: August 25, 2025

Primary Counties Eligible: Faribault

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Minnesota: Blue Earth, Freeborn, Martin, Waseca

Iowa: Kossuth, Winnebago

Triggering Disaster 4: S5916 Excessive Rain and Flash Flood from June 15 through June 24, 2024

Application Deadline: August 25, 2025

Primary Counties Eligible: Martin

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Minnesota: Blue Earth, Faribault, Jackson, Watonwan

Iowa: Emmet, Kossuth

Triggering Disaster 5: S5921 Excessive Rain and Flooding from June 15 through August 27, 2024

Application Deadline: August 25, 2025

Primary Counties Eligible: Redwood

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Minnesota: Brown, Cottonwood, Lyon, Murray, Renville, Yellow Medicine

Triggering Disaster 6: S5919 Excessive Rain and Flooding in North Dakota from April 1 through October 1, 2024

Application Deadline: August 25, 2025

Primary North Dakota Counties Eligible: Cavalier, Pembina, Ransom, Sargent

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Minnesota: Kittson, Marshall

North Dakota: Barnes, Cass, Dickey, LaMoure, Ramsey, Richland, Towner, Walsh

South Dakota: Brown, Marshall, Roberts

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](#).

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