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## Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates 5 Counties in California as Natural Disaster Areas Due to Wildfires

**Emergency Designation | California | February 24, 2025**

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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:** California

**Triggering Disaster:** Wildfires and straight-line winds

**Application Deadline:** 9/8/2025

**Primary Counties Eligible:**

- Los Angeles

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

- Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Ventura

### **More Resources**

On [farmers.gov](https://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://fema.gov/assistance).

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