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## Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Due to Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding

Emergency Designation | South Dakota | February 26, 2025

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### **Non-Tribal Contiguous Lands and Counties Also Eligible; Designation Applies to Nine Counties**

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:** South Dakota

**Triggering Disaster:** Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding that occurred during July 13, 2024, to July 14, 2024

**Application Deadline:** July 1, 2025

**Primary Eligible Tribal Lands:** Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

**Contiguous non-Tribal Lands and Counties Also Eligible:**

**South Dakota:** Dewey, Haakon, Meade, Perkins, Potter, Stanley, Sully, Walworth, and Ziebach

**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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