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[FEMA Designates 7 West Virginia Counties as a Natural Disaster Area Due to Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides and Mudslides that occurred February 15 to February 18, 2025 – Lawrence County in Ohio is Eligible as Contiguous County](#)

Emergency Designation | Ohio | March 20, 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. USDA's FSA offers these loans for losses caused by severe storms, straight-line winds, flooding, landslides, and mudslides that occurred on February 15 to February 18, 2025. The deadline for producers in designated primary and contiguous counties to apply for loans is November 10, 2025.

Impacted Area: West Virginia, Kentucky, and Ohio

Triggering Disaster: Severe storm, straight-line winds, flooding, landslides, mudslides that occurred on February 15 to February 18, 2025.

Application Deadline: November 10, 2025.

Primary Counties Eligible:

West Virginia – Logan and Wayne Counties.

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Ohio –Lawrence County.

Kentucky – Boyd, Lawrence, and Martin Counties.

West Virginia – Boone, Cabell, Lincoln, Mingo, and Wyoming Counties.

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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