

Farm Service Agency U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

USDA Designates 33 New Mexico Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

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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 the refinance of certain debts. FSA will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor (see http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/), these counties suffered from a drought intensity value during the growing season of 1) D2 Drought-Severe for 8 or more consecutive weeks or 2) D3 Drought-Extreme or D4 Drought-Exceptional.

State: New Mexico

Triggering Disaster: Drought

Application Deadline: November 5, 2021

Primary Counties Eligible:

Bernalillo Harding Roosevelt

Catron Hidalgo Sandoval

Chaves Lea San Juan

Cibola Lincoln San Miguel

Colfax Los Alamos Santa Fe

Curry Luna Sierra

De Baca McKinley Socorro

Dona Ana Mora Taos

Eddy Otero Torrance

Grant Quay Union

Guadalupe Rio Arriba Valencia

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Arizona: Apache, Cochise and Greenlee

Colorado: Archuleta, Baca, Conejos, Costilla, La Plata, Las Animas and Montezuma

Oklahoma: Cimarron

Texas: Andrews, Bailey, Cochran, Culberson, Dallam, Deaf Smith, El Paso, Gaines, Hartley,

Hudspeth, Loving, Oldham, Parmer, Reeves, Winkler and Yoakum

Utah: San Juan

For more information on FSA disaster assistance programs or to find your local USDA Service Center visit farmers.gov/recover.

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