



## USDA Designates 43 North Dakota 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 [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 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.

### **Triggering Disaster #1:**

**State:** North Dakota

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought

**Application Deadline:** Dec. 20, 2021

### **Primary Counties Eligible:**

Adams	Emmons	McLean	Sheridan
Benson	Foster	Mercer	Sioux

Billings	Golden Valley	Morton	Slope
Bottineau	Grant	Mountrail	Stark
Bowman	Hettinger	Nelson	Stutsman
Burke	Kidder	Oliver	Towner
Burleigh	LaMoure	Pembina	Walsh
Cavalier	Logan	Pierce	Ward
Divide	McHenry	Ramsey	Wells
Dunn	McIntosh	Renville	Williams
Eddy	McKenzie	Rolette	

**Contiguous Counties also Eligible:**

North Dakota: Barnes, Grand Forks, Ransom, Dickey, Griggs, Steele

Minnesota: Kittson and Marshall

Montana: Fallon, Richland, Roosevelt, Sheridan and Wibaux

South Dakota: Campbell, Corson, Harding, McPherson and Perkins

**Triggering Disaster 2:**

**State:** North Dakota

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought

**Application Deadline:** Jan. 3, 2022

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Barnes, Grand Forks, Griggs and Steele

**Contiguous Counties also Eligible:**

North Dakota:

Cass	LaMoure	Stutsman
Eddy	Nelson	Traill
Foster	Ransom	Walsh

Minnesota: Marshall and Polk

For more information on FSA disaster assistance programs or to find your local USDA Service Center visit [farmers.gov/recover](https://farmers.gov/recover).

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