



USDA Designates 12 South 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.

State: South Dakota

Triggering Disaster: Drought

Application Deadline: Jan. 3, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible:

Butte	Dewey	McPherson	Potter
Campbell	Edmunds	Meade	Walworth
Corson	Harding	Perkins	Ziebach

Contiguous Counties also Eligible:

South Dakota:

Brown	Haakon	Lawrence	Stanley
Faulk	Hyde	Pennington	Sully

Montana: Carter and Fallon

North Dakota: Adams, Bowman, Dickey, Emmons, McIntosh and Sioux

Wyoming: Crook

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

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