

## USDA Designates Two 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 <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.

Impacted Area: South Dakota

Triggering Disaster Event: Drought

Application Deadline: April 27, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Deuel and Grant

### Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

South Dakota: Brookings, Codington, Day, Hamlin and Roberts

Minnesota: Big Stone, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln and Yellow Medicine

#### More Resources

On farmers.gov, the <u>Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool</u>, <u>Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet</u>, and <u>Farm Loan Discovery Tool</u> 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.

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