

USDA Designates Seven Minnesota 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.

Impacted Area: Minnesota

Triggering Disaster Event: Drought

Application Deadline: April 27, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Big Stone, Brown, Carlton, Murray, Nicollet, Sibley and Swift

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Minnesota:

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| Aitkin | Lac Qui Parle | Pipestone | St. Louis |
| Blue Earth | Le Sueur | Pope | Scott |
| Carver | Lyon | Redwood | Stevens |
| Chippewa | McLeod | Renville | Traverse |
| Cottonwood | Nobles | Rock | Watonwan |

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| Kandiyohi | Pine | | |
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South Dakota: Grant and Roberts

Wisconsin: Douglas

More Resources

On farmers.gov, the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet](#), and [Farm Loan Discovery 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](#).

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