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## USDA Designates Five New Jersey 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:** New Jersey

**Triggering Disaster #1:** Excessive rain that occurred during Aug. 21 through Sept. 2, 2021.

**Application Deadline:** June 7, 2022

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Morris, Sussex and Warren

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

New Jersey: Essex, Hunterdon, Passaic, Somerset and Union

New York: Orange

Pennsylvania: Bucks, Monroe, Northampton and Pike

**Triggering Disaster #2:** Hurricane Ida that occurred during Sept. 1 through Sept. 2, 2021

**Application Deadline:** June 7, 2022

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Hunterdon and Somerset

## **Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

New Jersey:

Mercer	Morris	Warren
Middlesex	Union	

Pennsylvania: Bucks

## **More Resources**

***Additional county disaster designations are listed on our New Jersey State Website at [www.fsa.usda.gov/nj](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/nj)***

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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