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Farm Service Agency

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

USDA Designates 12 Michigan Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

Emergency Designation | October 27, 2021

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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: Michigan

Triggering Disaster #1: Frost and freeze that occurred April 2 through June 25, 2021

Application Deadline: June 20, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Allegan, Berrien, Cass, Cheboygan, Ottawa and Presque Isle

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Michigan:

Alpena	Emmet	Mackinac	Otsego
Barry	Kalamazoo	Montmorency	St. Joseph
Charlevoix	Kent	Muskegon	Van Buren

Indiana: Elkhart, LaPorte and St. Joseph

Triggering Disaster #2: Drought that occurred during May 1, 2021 and continuing

Application Deadline: June 20, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Chippewa, Huron, Luce and Mackinac

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: Alger, Cheboygan, Emmet, Sanilac, Schoolcraft and Tuscola

Triggering Disaster #3: Excessive rain that occurred from June 1 through July 10, 2021

Application Deadline: June 20, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Branch and Huron

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Michigan:

Calhoun	Kalamazoo	Sanilac
Hillsdale	St. Joseph	Tuscola

Indiana: LaGrange and Steuben

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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