

USDA Designates Four Georgia 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: Georgia

Triggering Disaster: Tropical Storm Elsa, excessive wind and excessive rainfall that occurred July 7, 2021

Application Deadline: June 20, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Echols, Lanier, Lowndes and Pierce

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Georgia:

Appling	Bacon	Brantley	Clinch	Wa
Atkinson	Berrien	Brooks	Cook	Wa

Florida: Columbia, Hamilton and Madison

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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