



USDA Designates 12 Michigan 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: 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 [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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