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USDA Designates Seven Alabama Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

Emergency Designation | December 13, 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 <u>emergency loans</u>. 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: Alabama

Triggering Disaster: Excessive rainfall and flooding caused by Tropical Storm Ida that occurred from Aug. 29, 2021 and continuing.

Application Deadline: Aug. 8, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible:

Baldwin	Elmore	Mobile	Tallapoosa
Dale	Escambia	Montgomery	

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Alabama:

Autauga	Clay	Geneva	Macon
Barbour	Coffee	Henry	Monroe

Bullock	Conecuh	Houston	Pike
Chambers	Coosa	Lee	Randolph
Chilton	Covington	Lowndes	Washington
Clarke	Crenshaw		

Florida: Escambia, Okaloosa and Santa Rosa Mississippi: George, Greene and Jackson

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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