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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

USDA Designates 11 Texas 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: Texas

Triggering Disaster #1: Drought

Application Deadline: Aug. 3, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Foard and Wilbarger

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Texas: Archer, Baylor, Cottle, Hardeman, King, Knox and Wichita

Oklahoma: Jackson and Tillman

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Triggering Disaster #2: Winter storm that occurred during Feb. 10 through Feb. 19, 2021

Application Deadline: Aug. 8, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Throckmorton and Young

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: Archer, Baylor, Haskell, Jack, Knox, Palo Pinto, Shackelford and Stephens

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Triggering Disaster #3: Excessive moisture that occurred during May 1 through Sept. 30, 2021

Application Deadline: Aug. 8, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Castro, Hale, Jim Wells, Kleberg, Nueces and Willacy

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Aransas	Deaf Smith	Hockley	Live Oak	Randall
Brooks	Duval	Kenedy	Lubbock	San Patricio
Cameron	Floyd	Lamb	Parmer	Swisher
Crosby	Hidalgo			

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Triggering Disaster #4: Hurricane Nicholas that occurred on Sept. 14, 2021

Application Deadline: Aug. 8, 2022

Primary County Eligible: Brazoria

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Matagorda and Wharton

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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