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## **Florida Farm Service Agency Preparing Support for Fire-Affected Counties**

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**GAINESVILLE, FL, Mar. 07, 2022** — The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Florida Farm Service Agency's (FSA) State Executive Director, Deborah Tannenbaum, announces Bay, Liberty, Franklin, Gulf and Calhoun counties have received preliminary authorization for the implementation of the Emergency Forestry Restoration Program (EFRP).

EFRP provides financial assistance for non-industrial private forestlands impacted by natural disaster. Additional counties can be added to this authorization if FSA county offices receive reports of loss from affected landowners.

FSA offices are utilizing Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping to identify existing FSA customers and conducting loss assessment reports to determine timber, crop, and physical losses.

Wildfires span multiple counties and are in varying stages of containment. We will continue to monitor damage, evaluate loss, and prepare to implement disaster programs.

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