

Farm Service Agency U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

USDA Designates 23 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.

According to the <u>U.S. Drought Monitor</u>, these counties suffered from a drought intensity value during the growing season of 1) D2 Drought-Severe for 8 or more consecutive weeks or 2) D3 Drought-Extreme or D4 Drought-Exceptional.

Impacted Area: Texas

Triggering Disaster: Drought

Application Deadline: Dec. 22, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible:

Hays	Uvalde	Wilbarger	Wise	Young
Throckmorton	Val Verde	Wilson	Wood	Zapata
Titus	Van Zandt	Winkler	Yoakum	Zavala
Tom Green	Ward			
Trinity	Webb			

Upshur	Wheeler		
Upton	Wichita		

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Andrews	Donley	Hunt	Polk
Angelina	Duval	Irion	Rains
Archer	Ector	Jack	Reagan
Atascosa	Edwards	Jim Hogg	Real
Bandera	Foard	Karnes	Red River
Baylor	Franklin	Kaufman	Reeves
Bexar	Frio	Kinney	Roberts
Blanco	Gaines	Knox	Runnels
Caldwell	Glasscock	La Salle	San Jacinto
Camp	Gonzales	Loving	Schleicher
Clay	Gray	McMullen	Shackelford
Cochran	Gregg	Marion	Smith
Coke	Guadalupe	Maverick	Starr
Collingsworth	Hardeman	Medina	Stephens
Comal	Harrison	Menard	Sterling

Concho	Haskell	Midland	Sutton
Cooke	Hemphill	Montague	Tarrant
Crane	Henderson	Morris	Terrell
Crockett	Hockley	Palo Pinto	Terry
Denton	Hopkins	Parker	Travis
Dimmit	Houston	Pecos	Walker

New Mexico: Lea

Oklahoma: Beckham, Cotton, Jackson, Roger Mills and Tillman

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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