



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.S. Drought Monitor](#), 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:

Texas:

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 [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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