

# USDA Designates 12 Nebraska Counties as Disasters Due to Drought News Release | Nebraska | May 02, 2022

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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.

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: Nebraska Triggering Disaster: Drought Application Deadline: Dec. 19, 2022

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Blaine, Dundy, Hayes, Hitchcock, Knox, Loup, Madison, Merrick, Nance, Pierce, Platte and Red Willow

#### **Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

Nebraska: Antelope, Boone, Boyd, Brown, Butler, Cedar, Chase, Cherry, Colfax, Custer, Frontier, Furnas, Garfield, Greeley, Hall, Hamilton, Holt, Howard, Lincoln, Logan, Perkins, Polk, Rock, Stanton, Thomas and Wayne. Colorado: Yuma Kansas: Cheyenne, Decatur and Rawlins South Dakota: Bon Homme, Charles Mix and Yankton

#### 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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