

USDA Designates Sixteen California Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

Emergency Designation | July 19, 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.

Impacted Area: California

Triggering Disaster #1: Freeze that occurred during February 21 through February 28, 2022

Application Deadline: March 1, 2023

Primary Counties Eligible: Butte, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Yolo and Yuba

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: California:

| Alameda | Glenn | Nevada | Santa Clara |
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| Amador | Lake | Placer | Shasta |
| Calaveras | Mariposa | Plumas | Sierra |
| Colusa | Mendocino | Sacramento | Trinity |

| Contra Costa | Mono | San Benito | Tuolumne |
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| Fresno | Napa | | |

Impacted Area: California

Triggering Disaster #2: Freeze that occurred on February 24, 2022

- Application Deadline: March 1, 2023
- Primary Counties Eligible: Colusa and Glenn

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: California: Butte, Lake, Mendocino, Sutter, Tehama and Yolo

Impacted Area: California

Triggering Disaster #3: Freeze that occurred during April 11 through April 13, 2022

Application Deadline: March 1, 2023

Primary Counties Eligible: Amador, Calaveras and El Dorado

<u>Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:</u> California: Alpine, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Tuolumne

Nevada: Douglas

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 <u>USDA Service Center</u>.

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