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USDA Designates Alachua County, Florida, as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

Emergency Designation | August 25, 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 [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.

Impacted Area: Florida

Triggering Disaster: Freeze on January 29 through January 31, 2022

Application Deadline: April 10, 2023

Primary Counties Eligible: Alachua

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Florida: Bradford, Columbia, Gilchrist, Levy, Marion, Putnam and Union

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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