

## USDA Designates Three 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:** April 17, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Jack, Leon and Polk

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Texas:**

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| Anderson | Freestone | Madison    | San Jacinto |
| Angelina | Hardin    | Montague   | Trinity     |
| Archer   | Houston   | Palo Pinto | Tyler       |

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|--------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| Brazos | Liberty   | Parker    | Wise  |
| Clay   | Limestone | Robertson | Young |

## 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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