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## **USDA Designates 27 Tennessee 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.

**Impacted Area:** Tennessee

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought

**Application Deadline:** Oct. 2, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:**

Cheatham	Grundy	Lincoln
Coffee	Hamblen	Madison
Crockett	Hardeman	Maury
Decatur	Hardin	Montgomery
Dickson	Henderson	Obion
Fayette	Hickman	Perry
Franklin	Lake	Shelby

Giles	Lawrence	Tipton
Grainger	Lewis	Wayne

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Tennessee:**

Bedford	Hancock	Marshall
Benton	Hawkins	Moore
Cannon	Haywood	Robertson
Carroll	Houston	Rutherford
Chester	Humphreys	Sequatchie
Claiborne	Jefferson	Stewart
Cocke	Knox	Union
Davidson	Lauderdale	Warren
Dyer	McNairy	Weakley
Gibson	Marion	Williamson
Greene		

**Alabama:** Jackson, Lauderdale, Limestone and Madison

**Arkansas:** Crittenden and Mississippi

**Kentucky:** Christian, Fulton, Hickman and Todd

**Mississippi:** Alcorn, Benton DeSoto, Marshall, Tippah and Tishomingo

**Missouri:** New Madrid and Pemiscot

## **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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