



## USDA Designates 71 Oklahoma 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 to refinance 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:** Oklahoma

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought, Fast Track

**Application Deadline:** November 17, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Alfalfa, Atoka, Beaver, Beckham, Blaine, Caddo, Canadian, Carter, Cherokee, Cimarron, Cleveland, Coal, Comanche, Cotton, Craig, Creek, Custer, Delaware, Dewey, Ellis, Garfield, Garvin, Grady, Grant, Greer, Harmon, Harper, Haskell, Hughes, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnston, Kay, Kingfisher, Kiowa, Latimer, Lincoln, Logan, Love, McClain, McIntosh, Major, Marshall, Mayes, Murray, Muskogee, Noble, Nowata, Okfuskee, Oklahoma, Okmulgee, Osage, Ottawa, Pawnee, Payne, Pittsburg, Pontotoc, Pottawatomie, Pushmataha, Roger Mills, Rogers, Seminole, Stephens, Texas, Tillman, Tulsa, Wagoner, Washington, Washita, Woods, Woodward

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Arkansas:** Benton

**Colorado:** Baca

**Kansas:** Barber, Chautauqua, Cherokee, Cowley, Harper, Labette, Meade, Montgomery, Morton, Seward, Stevens, Sumner

**Missouri:** McDonald, Newton

**Oklahoma:** Adair, Bryan, Choctaw, LeFlore, McCurtain, Sequoyah

**Texas:** Childress, Clay, Collingsworth, Cooke, Dallam, Grayson, Hansford, Hardeman, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Montague, Ochiltree, Sherman, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger

### More Resources

On farmers.gov, the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet](#), and

[Loan Assistance 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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