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## USDA Designates 4 South Carolina Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Due to Recent Freeze and Frost

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### *Eleven Contiguous Counties in South Carolina Also Eligible for Assistance*

These Secretarial natural disaster designations allow 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.

**Impacted Area:** South Carolina

**Triggering Disaster 1:** Freeze

**Application Deadline:** 3/11/2024

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Greenville

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**South Carolina:** Abbeville, Anderson, Laurens, Pickens and Spartanburg

**North Carolina:** Henderson, Polk and Transylvania

**Triggering Disaster 2:** Frost and Freeze

**Application Deadline:** 3/11/2024

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Cherokee, Spartanburg and Union

## **Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**South Carolina:** Chester, Fairfield, Greenville, Laurens, Newberry and York

**North Carolina:** Cleveland, Polk and Rutherford

## **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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