

Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates 23 Texas Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Due to Qualifying Winter Storms

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Includes Declaration Amendments Making More Counties Eligible for Assistance

This Presidential disaster declaration 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.

Impacted Area: Texas

Triggering Disaster #1: Severe Winter Storm

Application Deadline: December 21, 2023

Primary Counties Eligible: Bastrop, Blanco, Burleson, Burnet, Hays, Henderson, Kendall, Lee, Leon, Milam, Robertson, Travis, and Williamson

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: Anderson, Bandera, Bell, Bexar, Brazos, Caldwell, Cherokee, Comal, Ellis, Falls, Fayette, Freestone, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Houston, Kaufman, Kerr, Lampasas, Limestone, Llano, Madison, Navarro, San Saba, Smith, Van Zandt, and Washington

Disaster 1, Amendment 1: Severe Winter Storm

Application Deadline: January 8, 2024

Primary Counties Eligible: Anderson, Falls, Gillespie, Hopkins, Kerr, Kimble, Limestone, and Red River

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: Bandera, Bell, Blanco, Bowie, Cherokee, Delta, Edwards, Franklin, Freestone, Henderson, Hill, Houston, Hunt, Kendall, Lamar, Leon, Llano, McLennan, Mason, Menard, Milam, Morrie, Navarro, Rains, Real, Robertson, Schleicher, Sutton, Titus, and Wood.

Oklahoma: Choctaw and McCurtain

Disaster 1, Amendment 2: Severe Winter Storm

Application Deadline: January 22, 2024

Primary Counties Eligible: Franklin

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: Camp, Delta, Hopkin, Red River, Titus, and Wood

Disaster 1, Amendment 4: Severe Winter Storm

Application Deadline: March 1, 2024

Primary Counties Eligible: Comal

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: Bexar, Blanco, Guadalupe, Hays and Kendall

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](#).

FEMA offers different assistance programs for individual citizens, public groups including government agencies and private nonprofit organizations. To find the FEMA help you need following a disaster event, visit [fema.gov/assistance](https://www.fema.gov/assistance).

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