

Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates 21 North Dakota Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas; 43 Contiguous Counties Affected, Including 2 South Eastern Montana Counties.

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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 <u>emergency loans</u>. 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: North Dakota

Triggering Disaster: Flooding

Application Deadline: 03/05/2024

<u>Primary Counties Eligible:</u> Barnes, Burke, Dickey, Dunn, Golden Valley, Grand Forks, Hettinger, LaMoure, McHenry, Mercer, Morton, Mountrail, Nelson, Pembina, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Steele, Towner, Walsh, and Wells

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

North Dakota: Adams, Benson, Billings, Bottineau, Burleigh, Cass, Cavalier, Divide, Eddy, Emmons, Foster, Grant, Griggs, Kidder, Logan, McIntosh, McKenzie, McLean, Oliver, Pierce, Ramsey, Renville, Rolette, Sheridan, Sioux, Slope, Stark, Stutsman, Traill, Ward, and Williams

Montana: Fallon, and Wibaux

South Dakota: Brown, McPherson, Marshall, and Roberts

Minnesota: Clay, Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Traverse, and Wilkin

More Resources

On farmers.gov, the <u>Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool</u>, <u>Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet</u>, and <u>Loan Assistance Tool</u> can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local <u>USDA Service Center</u>.

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 <u>fema.gov/assistance</u>.

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