

## USDA Designates Two South Dakota Counties as Contiguous Natural Disaster Areas

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### *Primary Disaster Areas Located in North Dakota*

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.

**Impacted Area:** North Dakota

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought that occurred during June 11, 2022 and continuing

**Application Deadline:** Nov. 6, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Burleigh, Emmons, Kidder, McKenzie, Mercer

### **Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**North Dakota:** Billings, Dunn, Golden Valley, Logan, McIntosh, McLean, Morton, Mountrail, Oliver, Sheridan, Sioux, Stark, Stutsman, Wells, and Williams

**Montana:** Richland, Roosevelt, and Wibaux

**South Dakota:** Campbell and Corson

**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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