



Farm Service Agency
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USDA Designates 2 Montana Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas 6 Montana, 2 Idaho and 2 North Dakota Contiguous Counties Also Eligible

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BOZEMAN, Montana-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: Montana

Triggering Disaster 1: Drought, Excessive Heat and High Winds

Application Deadline: 8/21/2024

Primary Counties Eligible: Ravalli

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Montana: Beaverhead, Deer Lodge, Granite and Missoula

Idaho: Idaho and Lemhi

Triggering Disaster 2: Drought

Application Deadline: 8/21/2024

Primary Counties Eligible: Sheridan

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Montana: Daniels and Roosevelt

North Dakota: Divide and Williams

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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