DISASTER ASSISTANCE

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Farm Service Agency Disaster Assistance Programs at a Glance

Disaster programs	Blizzard	Fire	Hurricane/ Typhoon	Excessive Moisture/ Flood	Excessive Winds/ Tornado	Drought	Hail	Volcanic Eruption/ Emissions	Freeze	Earthquake
Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) - provides funding to rehabilitate farmland damaged by wind erosion, floods, hurricanes, or other natural disasters, and for carrying out emergency water conservation measures during periods of severe drought	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Emergency Forest Restoration Program (EFRP) - provides payments to eligible owners of rural nonindustrial private forest land to carry out emergency measures to restore forest health on land damaged by natural disaster events such as floods, hurricanes, or other natural disasters	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) - provides payments to eligible producers of livestock, honeybees, and farm- raised fish to help compensate for losses due to disease (including cattle tick fever), adverse weather, or other conditions, such as blizzards and wildfires.	Yes	Yes, except on federally managed land	Yes	Yes	Yes	No, except for water transportat ion	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Emergency Loan Program (EM) - provides EM loans to help producers recover from production and physical losses due to drought, flooding, other natural disasters, or quarantine.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Livestock Forage Disaster - Program (LFP) - provides compensation for grazing losses for covered livestock on land that is native or improved pastureland with permanent vegetative cover or certain crops planted specifically for grazing. The grazing losses must be due to a qualifying drought condition or fire on Federally managed land during the normal grazing period for the county.	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) - provides benefits to livestock producers for livestock deaths in excess of normal mortality caused by adverse weather. In addition, LIP covers attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by the federal government or protected by federal law.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No, except when associated with anthrax	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) - provides financial assistance for noninsurable crop losses due to drought, flood, hurricane, or other natural disasters.	Yes	Yes, Only as a related condition to an eligible disaster	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tree Assistance Program (TAP) - provides financial assistance to qualifying orchardists and nursery tree growers to replant or, where applicable, rehabilitate eligible trees, bushes and vines lost by natural disasters.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Other natural disasters that may apply to some of these programs include:

- Explosion
- High water
- Landslide
- Mudslide
- Severe snowstorm
- Storm, including ice storms
- Tidal wave
- Wind-driven water
- Insect infestation
- Plant disease
- Lightning
- Other **natural** phenomena

Some man-made conditions qualify for disaster assistance, as follows:

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Disaster programs	Pesticide Contamination	Nuclear Radiation/Fallout	Toxic Substances Other Than Pesticides	Chemical Residue Other Than Pesticides
Dairy Indemnity Payment Program (DIPP) - Pays dairy producers when a public regulatory agency directs them to remove their raw milk from the commercial market because it has been contaminated by pesticides, nuclear radiation or fallout, or toxic substances and chemical residues other than pesticides.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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