

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Farm Service Agency  
Room 3416, 700 West Capitol Avenue  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

ARKANSAS NOTICE FLP-131

For: County Offices

**Presidential Major Disaster Declaration M1528  
and Amendment #1 and #2**

Approved by: State Executive Director



**1 Overview**

**A Purpose**

The purpose of this notice is to advise those counties where Farm Service Agency (FSA) Emergency Loan Assistance (EM) is available to eligible family farmers and ranchers.

**B Contact**

If there are questions regarding this notice:

County Offices shall contact Tom Howard, Farm Loan Programs Specialist, at 501-301-3035 or Email: tom.howard@ar.usda.gov

**2 Action**

**A Disaster Area**

Effective July 28, 2004, President Bush amended Presidential Major disaster declaration to include **Benton and Franklin Counties** for Federal disaster assistance, including FSA emergency loans. This action is based on damages and losses caused by severe storms and flooding that occurred from May 30<sup>th</sup> through July 9<sup>th</sup> 2004.

Disposal	Distribution
September 1, 2005	All County Offices

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### 2 Action (Continued)

In accordance with Section 321(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, the following counties are named as contiguous disaster counties:

Carroll	Johnson	Madison	Washington
Crawford	Logan	Sebastian	

### B Application Processing

Emergency loan applications will be received through March 28, 2005, for physical and production losses.

This notification is coded M1528.

Also, for the purpose of establishing security values as set forth in 3-FLP, paragraph 171 when determining loan security values for loan applications, the beginning date of the incidence period is May 30, 2004.

Farm Loan Managers will ensure that the notification and coordination actions are taken. Designated counties and adjoining counties will send a copy of the attached news release to all media in the county. (See attached Exhibit 1)

### C Filing Instructions

File in chronological order preceding 3-FLP.

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**Exhibit 1**

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**NEWS**

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact:

Phone:

Arkansas Counties Eligible For USDA Emergency Farm Loans

Washington, D. C., July 28, 2004 -- President Bush amended Presidential Major Disaster to include the following counties. This action is based on damages and losses caused by severe storms and flooding that occurred from May 30<sup>th</sup> through July 9<sup>th</sup> 2004.

Benton

Franklin

The following counties are also eligible because they are contiguous to the disaster declared counties:

Carroll

Johnson

Madison

Washington

Crawford

Logan

Sebastian

Farmers in the disaster area have until March 28, 2005, to apply for the loans to help cover part of their actual losses. To be eligible, producers must have suffered a physical loss or at least a 30-percent loss of normal production in a single enterprise, be able to repay the loan and any other loans, be unable to obtain credit elsewhere, and have adequate security.

Additional information regarding eligibility and other loan requirements may be obtained by contacting your local FSA county office. The Farm Service Agency is an Equal Opportunity Lender.