

# USDA Designates 11 Washington Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

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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 <a href="mailto:emergency loans">emergency loans</a>. 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: Washington

**Triggering Disaster:** Excessive Heat

**Application Deadline**: 11/14/2024

Primary Counties Eligible: Adams, Benton, Chelan, Douglas, Franklin, Grant, Kittitas, Klickitat,

Okanogan, Walla Walla, Yakima

### Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

**Washington:** Columbia, Ferry, King, Lewis, Lincoln, Pierce, Skagit, Skamania, Snohomish, Whatcom, Whitman

Oregon: Gilliam, Hood River, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Wasco

#### **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>.

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