USDA Announces Availability of Low-Interest Physical Loss Loans for Producers Affected by Natural Disasters News Release | Florida | October 09, 2024

Physical loss loans through the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) can help producers repair or replace damaged or destroyed physical property essential to the success of the agricultural operation, including livestock losses. Examples of property commonly affected include essential farm buildings, fixtures to real estate, equipment, livestock, perennial crops, fruit and nut bearing trees, and harvested or stored crops and hay.

Impacted Area: Florida, Georgia

Triggering Disaster: Hurricane Helene that occurred on Sept. 25, 2024, to Sept. 26, 2024

Application Deadline: June 3, 2025

Primary Counties Eligible:

• Florida: Alachua, Baker, Brevard, Broward, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Flagler, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Hernando, Hillsborough, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lake, Lee, Leon, Levy, Madison, Manatee, Marion, Nassau, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, St. Johns, Seminole, Sumter, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Volusia, Wakulla

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

- Florida: Bradford, Charlotte, DeSoto, Franklin, Gadsden, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Indian River, Liberty, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Sarasota
- Georgia: Brooks, Camden, Charlton, Clinch, Echols, Grady, Lowndes, Thomas, Ware

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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