

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 <u>emergency loans</u>. 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: New Jersey

Triggering Disaster: Excessive Heat 6/1/2024 through 07/31/2024

Application Deadline: 7/15/2025

Primary Counties Eligible: Morris, Sussex, Warren

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

- New Jersey: Essex, Hunterdon, Passaic, Somerset, Union
- New York: Orange
- Pennsylvania: Bucks, Monroe, Northampton, Pike

Triggering Disaster 2: Excessive Rain and High Winds 7/16/2024

Application Deadline: 7/15/2025

Primary Counties Eligible: Sussex

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

- New Jersey: Morris, Passaic, Warren
- New York: Orange
- Pennsylvania: Monroe, Pike

Visit our the New Jersey FSA website for additional disaster designations at https://www.fsa.usda.gov/state-offices/new-jersey

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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