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SDA Designates New Mexico Counties (S5969) as Natural Disaster Areas Due to Drought (Fast-Track)

Emergency Designation | New Mexico | April 18, 2025

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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 [emergency loans](#). 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.

Triggering Disaster #1

Impacted Area: New Mexico and Colorado

Triggering Disaster: Drought (Fast-Track)

Application Deadline: 12/15/2025

Primary Counties Eligible:

- **New Mexico:** Los Alamos, Mora, Sandoval, San Miguel, Santa Fe, and Taos.

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

- **Colorado:** Conejos and Costilla
- **New Mexico:** Bernalillo, Cibola, Colfax, Guadalupe, Harding, McKinley, Quay, Rio Arriba, San Juan, and Torrance.

More Resources

On farmers.gov, the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet](#), and [Loan Assistance Tool](#) can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local [USDA Service Center](#).

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