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## **Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates Counties in Virginia as Natural Disaster Areas due to Severe Winter Storms and Flooding with Assistance Available for Five Contiguous Counties in Tennessee**

**Emergency Designation | Tennessee | May 19, 2025**

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This Presidential disaster declaration 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 Presidential Designation [M4863](#):**

**Impacted Area:** Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia

**Triggering Disaster:** Severe Winter Storms and Flooding on February 10th through February 18, 2025

**Application Deadline:** December 4, 2025

**Primary Counties Eligible:**

•**Virginia:** Bland, Buchanan, Carroll, Craig, Dickenson, Floyd, Franklin, Grayson, Lee, Pulaski, Russell, Scott, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, Wise, Bristol

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

- Tennessee:** Claiborne, Hancock, Hawkins, Johnson, Sullivan
- Kentucky:** Bell, Harlan, Letcher, Pike
- North Carolina:** Alleghany, Ashe, Surry
- Virginia:** Alleghany, Bedford, Botetourt, Giles, Henry, Montgomery, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Roanoke, Wythe, Galax, Norton, Radford
- West Virginia:** McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monroe

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](#).

FEMA offers different assistance programs for individual citizens, public groups including government agencies and private nonprofit organizations. To find the FEMA help you need following a disaster event, visit [fema.gov/assistance](https://fema.gov/assistance).

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