



Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates 9 Counties in Arkansas as Natural Disaster Areas Due to Severe Storms and Tornadoes Emergency Designation | Arkansas | August 01, 2025

Presidential Major Disaster Declaration M4865

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: M4865

Impacted Area: Arkansas and Missouri

Triggering Disaster: Severe Storms and Tornadoes

Application Deadline: January 8, 2026

Primary Counties Eligible:

- **Arkansas:** Greene, Hot Spring, Independence, Izard, Jackson, Lawrence, Randolph, Sharp, and Stone

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

- **Arkansas:** Baxter, Clark, Cleburne, Craighead, Cross, Dallas, Fulton, Garland, Grant, Montgomery, Poinsett, Saline, Searcy, Van Buren, White and Woodruff
- **Missouri:** Dunklin, Oregon and Ripley

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](#).

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://www.fema.gov/assistance).

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