

Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates Multiple Iowa Counties as Natural Disaster Areas Due to March Winter Storm

Emergency Designation | Nebraska | November 21, 2025

Nebraska Counties Included as Contiguous

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 M4870

Impacted Area: lowa

Triggering Disaster: Severe Winter Storm that occurred on March 19, 2025

Application Deadline: January 21, 2026

Primary Counties Eligible:

Iowa: Crawford, Harrison, Monona, Woodbury

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

• Iowa: Audubon, Carroll, Cherokee, Ida, Plymouth, Pottawattamie, Sac, Shelby

• Nebraska: Burt, Dakota, Thurston, Washington

South Dakota: Union

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>.

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.

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