



USDA Designates 5 Primary Counties in South Carolina as Primary Natural Disaster Area with 3 Contiguous Counties in North Carolina

Emergency Designation | North Carolina | April 15, 2026

North Carolina
South Carolina

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.

Impacted Area: South Carolina, North Carolina

Triggering Disaster: Drought

Application Deadline: 12/15/2026

Primary Counties Eligible: Berkeley, Charleston, Georgetown, Horry and Williamsburg.

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: South Carolina: Clarendon, Colleton, Dillon, Dorchester, Florence, Marion and Orangeburg. North Carolina: Brunswick, Columbus, Robeson

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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