USDA Extends Deadline for Emergency Conservation Program Assistance for Honolulu County

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Honolulu, Aug. 7, 2026 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) is extending the application period for the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) in Honolulu County for operations impacted by the March Kona Low storms.

ECP provides cost-share and technical assistance to agricultural producers to restore productive capacity on farm and ranch land following a qualifying natural disaster. ECP signup in Honolulu County began on April 1, 2026. With the extension, the deadline to apply for assistance is now Sept. 29, 2026.

"We want to ensure all qualified producers who were impacted from the March Kona Lows have the opportunity to apply for and receive assistance through this program," said Arthur Keyes, State Executive Director for Hawaii. "A verifiable lease is the cornerstone of program eligibility. Producers should be prepared to provide a lease or proof of farmland ownership. Additional information, such as photos of the damage and, if available, a worklog of what kind of work has been completed, if work has already begun. If you previously inquired but have not submitted these items, please call the Honolulu County FSA Office to complete your application."

Approved ECP applicants can receive up to 75% of the allowable cost of the approved restoration activity, with a maximum cost share of $500,000 per natural disaster event.

More Information

To learn more or to apply for ECP, contact the Honolulu County FSA Office at 808-861-8538 to schedule an appointment.

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