



USDA Designates Rapides Parish, Louisiana, as a Primary Natural Disaster Area

Emergency Designation | May 19, 2021

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 the refinance of certain debts. FSA will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

State: Louisiana

Triggering Disaster: Winter storm, including ice, that occurred from Feb. 15 through Feb. 21, 2021

Application Deadline: Jan. 10, 2022

Primary Parish Eligible: Rapides

Contiguous Parishes also Eligible: Allen, Avoyelles, Evangeline, Grant, LaSalle, Natchitoches and Vernon

For more information on FSA disaster assistance programs or to find your local USDA Service Center visit farmers.gov/recover.

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