



## USDA Designates Six Connecticut Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

**Emergency Designation | September 09, 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.

**Impacted Area:** Connecticut

**Triggering Disaster Event:** Tropical Storm Elsa that occurred from July 9 through July 23, 2021

**Application Deadline:** May 2, 2022

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Hartford, Litchfield, Middlesex, New Haven, Tolland and Windham

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

Connecticut: Fairfield and New London

Massachusetts: Berkshire, Hampden and Worcester

New York: Dutchess

Rhode Island: Kent and Providence

On farmers.gov, the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet](#), and [Farm Loan Discovery 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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