

Farm Service Agency U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

<u>USDA Designates Seven Minnesota Counties as Primary Natural Disaster</u> **Areas**

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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 <u>emergency loans</u>. 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: Minnesota

Triggering Disaster Event: Drought

Application Deadline: April 27, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible: Big Stone, Brown, Carlton, Murray, Nicollet, Sibley and Swift

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Minnesota:

Aitkin	Lac Qui Parle	Pipestone
Blue Earth	Le Sueur	Pope
Carver	Lyon	Redwood
Chippewa	McLeod	Renville
Cottonwood	Nobles	Rock

Kandiyohi Pine	
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South Dakota: Grant and Roberts

Wisconsin: Douglas

More Resources

On farmers.gov, the <u>Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool</u>, <u>Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet</u>, and <u>Farm Loan Discovery 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 USDA Service Center.

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