



USDA Designates 64 Colorado Counties as Primary Natural Disaster 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 [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.

According to the [U.S. Drought Monitor](#), these counties suffered from a drought intensity value during the growing season of 1) D2 Drought-Severe for 8 or more consecutive weeks or 2) D3 Drought-Extreme or D4 Drought-Exceptional.

Impacted Area: Colorado

Triggering Disaster: Drought

Application Deadline: Dec. 8, 2022

Primary Counties Eligible:

Adams	Crowley	Gunnison	Mesa
Alamosa	Custer	Hinsdale	Mineral
Arapahoe	Delta	Huerfano	Moffat
Archuleta	Denver	Jackson	Montezuma
Baca	Dolores	Jefferson	Montrose

Bent	Douglas	Kiowa	Morgan
Boulder	Eagle	Kit Carson	Otero
Broomfield	Elbert	Lake	Ouray
Chaffee	El Paso	La Plata	Park
Cheyenne	Fremont	Larimer	Phillips
Clear Creek	Garfield	Las Animas	Pitkin
Conejos	Gilpin	Lincoln	Prowers
Costilla	Grand	Logan	Pueblo

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Arizona: Apache

Kansas: Cheyenne, Greeley, Hamilton, Morton, Sherman, Stanton, Wallace

Nebraska: Chase, Cheyenne, Deuel, Dundy, Kimball, Perkins

New Mexico: Colfax, San Juan, Union, Rio Arriba, Taos

Oklahoma: Cimarron

Utah: Daggett, Grand, San Juan, Uintah

Wyoming: Albany, Carbon, Laramie, Sweetwater

More Resources

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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