



Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates Six Georgia Counties Contiguous Natural Disaster Areas

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

Impacted Area: Tennessee, Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina

Triggering Disaster: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes

Application Deadline: January 17, 2024

Primary Counties Eligible: Tennessee: Benton, Bledsoe, Campbell, Carroll, Cheatham, Clay, Crockett, Davidson, Decatur, Dickson, Fentress, Gibson, Giles, Grundy, Hamilton, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Henry, Hickman, Houston, Humphreys, Jackson, Lake, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lewis, Macon, Madison, Marion, Meigs, Monroe, Montgomery, Moore, Obion, Perry, Pickett, Polk, Rhea, Robertson, Stewart, Sumner, Tipton, Wayne, White

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Alabama: Jackson, Lauderdale, Limestone

Arkansas: Crittenden, Mississippi

Georgia: Catoosa, Dade, Fannin, Murray, Walker, Whitfield

Kentucky: Allen, Calloway, Christian, Clinton, Cumberland, Fulton, Graves, Hickman, Logan, McCreary, Monroe, Simpson, Todd, Trigg, Wayne, Whitley

Mississippi: Alcorn, Tishomingo

Missouri: New Madrid, Pemiscot

North Carolina: Cherokee, Graham

Tennessee: Anderson, Bedford, Blount, Bradley, Chester, Claiborne, Coffee, Cumberland, DeKalb, Dyer, Fayette, Franklin, Hardeman, Lincoln, Loudon, McMinn, McNairy, Marshall, Maury, Morgan, Overton, Putnam, Roane, Rutherford, Scott, Sequatchie, Shelby, Smith, Trousdale, Union, Van Buren, Warren Weakly, Williamson, Wilson

More Resources

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

FEMA offers different assistance programs for individual citizens, public groups including government agencies and private nonprofit organizations. To find the FEMA help you need following a disaster event, visit [fema.gov/assistance](https://www.fema.gov/assistance).

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