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## **Federal Emergency Management Agency Designates Muskogee Creek Tribal Lands in Oklahoma as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Due to Qualifying Winter Storms**

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*Non-Tribal Contiguous Lands and Counties Also Eligible; Designation Applies to 18 Counties*

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:** Muskogee Creek Nation

**Triggering Disaster:** Severe Winter Storm

**Incident Period:** Dec. 21, 2023 – Dec. 25, 2023

**Application Deadline:** Nov. 3, 2023

**Primary Eligible Tribal Lands:** Muskogee Creek Nation Tribal Lands within Creek, Hughes McIntosh Muskogee Okfuskee Okmulgee Tulsa, and Wagoner Counties.

**Contiguous non-Tribal Lands and Counties Also Eligible:** Non-Tribal Lands in Creek, Hughes McIntosh, Muskogee, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Tulsa and Wagoner Counties as well as the contiguous counties of Lincoln, Mayes, Osage, Pawnee, Payne, Pittsburg, Pontotoc, Pottawatomie, Rogers, and Seminole.

**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://fema.gov/assistance).

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