



## New York Farm Service Agency Seeks Independent Crop Loss Adjustment Contractors

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**SYRACUSE, NY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024** - The USDA New York Farm Service Agency (FSA) is seeking qualified individuals with knowledge of field crops and specialty crops who are interested in becoming independent crop loss adjustment contractors for FSA in the Eastern half of the state, as well as NYC and Long Island.

FSA administers the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) and Tree Assistance Program (TAP), both provide financial assistance to eligible producers affected by drought, flood, hurricane, or other natural disasters.

FSA utilizes contracted crop loss adjusters when eligible producers experience crop losses and prevented planting due eligible weather related and natural disaster events. Contracted crop loss adjusters will be responsible for completing field inspections, reading maps and aerial photos, measuring fields and assessing damage or loss. The crop loss adjuster will perform fact-finding duties (regarding crop damage), record information and transmit loss information to accurately assess indemnity.

Pay starts at \$17/hr, rises to \$22.50/hr once trained, and \$25/hr in year two.

**Interested individuals should contact Dan Mapley by email at [daniel.mapley@usda.gov](mailto:daniel.mapley@usda.gov), or phone at 315-477-6331 by March 1.**

NOTE: Selected individuals must have their own transportation and be willing to travel to multiple counties, to work crop loss claims. Travel expenses are reimbursable. Further training will be provided to crop loss adjusters once contractor selections are made. This position does not offer medical or retirement benefits or overtime.

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