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## USDA Designates Carter County Montana as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Due to Excessive Rain, Flash Flooding, Hail, High Winds and Lightning; Six Contiguous Counties Also Eligible for Assistance

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

**Impacted Area:** Montana

**Triggering Disaster:** Excessive Rain, Flash Flooding, Hail, High Winds and Lightning

**Application Deadline:** 4/7/2025

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Carter

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Montana:** Custer, Fallon and Powder River

**South Dakota:** Butte and Harding

**Wyoming:** Crook

**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](#).

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