



## USDA Designated 11 South Dakota 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 (see <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>), 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:** South Dakota

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought

**Application Deadline:** March 14, 2022

### **Primary Counties Eligible:**

Beadle	Jerauld	Miner
Davison	Kingsbury	Minnehaha

Hutchinson	McCook	Sanborn
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**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

South Dakota:

Aurora	Charles Mix	Gregory	Lake
Bon Homme	Clark	Hamlin	Lincoln
Brookings	Clay	Hand	Lyman
Brule	Douglas	Hanson	Mellette
Buffalo			

Iowa: Lyon

Minnesota: Pipestone and Rock

Nebraska: Cherry and Keya Paha

**More Resources**

On farmers.gov, the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster-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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