

# USDA Designates Six Virginia Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas Emergency Designation | February 22, 2022

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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 <u>emergency loans</u>. 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.

Impacted Area: Virginia

Triggering Disaster: Drought that occurred from May 1, 2021, through Oct. 15, 2021.

Application Deadline: Oct. 17, 2022

### Primary Counties Eligible:

| Buckingham | Loudoun        | Smyth      |
|------------|----------------|------------|
| Fauquier   | Prince William | Washington |

### Contiguous Areas Also Eligible:

Virginia:

| Albemarle  | Fluvanna | Stafford |
|------------|----------|----------|
| Appomattox | Grayson  | Tazewell |
| Bland      | Nelson   | Warren   |

| Clarke     | Prince Edward | Wythe         |
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| Culpeper   | Rappahannock  | Bristol       |
| Cumberland | Russell       | Manassas      |
| Fairfax    | Scott         | Manassas Park |

Maryland: Charles, Frederick, Montgomery and Washington Tennessee: Johnson and Sullivan West Virginia: Jefferson

### **More Resources**

On farmers.gov, the <u>Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool</u>, <u>Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet</u>, and <u>Farm Loan Discovery Tool</u> can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local <u>USDA Service Center</u>.

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