



## **USDA Designates 22 Nebraska 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](#), 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:** Nebraska

**Triggering Disaster:** Drought

**Application Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:**

Burt	Dixon	Kearney	Stanton
Cherry	Garden	Kimball	Thomas
Cheyenne	Hall	Logan	Thurston
Colfax	Hamilton	Morrill	Wayne
Cuming	Harlan	Phelps	York
Dakota	Hooker		

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible: Nebraska:**

Adams	Butler	Fillmore	Keya Paha	Polk
Arthur	Cedar	Franklin	Lincoln	Saline
Banner	Clay	Furnas	McPherson	Scotts Bluff
Blaine	Custer	Gosper	Madison	Seward
Box Butte	Dawson	Grant	Merrick	Sheridan
Brown	Deuel	Howard	Pierce	Washington
Buffalo	Dodge	Keith	Platte	Webster

**Colorado:** Logan, Sedgwick and Weld

**Iowa:** Harrison, Monona and Woodbury

**Kansas:** Norton and Phillips

**South Dakota:** Bennett, Clay, Oglala Lakota, Todd, Tripp and Union

**Wyoming:** Laramie

**More Resources**

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