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## USDA Designates 17 Pennsylvania Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

**Emergency Designation | February 09, 2023**

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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.

**Impacted Area:** Pennsylvania

**Triggering Disaster #1:** Drought that occurred during May 15, 2022, through September 20, 2022

**Application Deadline:** Oct. 2, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Tioga

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Pennsylvania:** Bradford, Lycoming and Potter

**New York:** Chemung and Steuben

**Impacted Area:** Pennsylvania

**Triggering Disaster #2:** Drought that occurred during June 1, 2022, through August 30, 2022

**Application Deadline:** Oct. 2, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Clarion, Clearfield, Elk, Forest, Jefferson, Venango and Warren

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Pennsylvania:**

Armstrong	Cameron	Erie
Blair	Centre	Indiana
Butler	Clinton	McKean
Cambria	Crawford	Mercer

**New York:** Cattaraugus and Chautauqua

**Impacted Area:** Pennsylvania

**Triggering Disaster #3:** Drought that occurred during June 1, 2022, through September 13, 2022

**Application Deadline:** Oct. 2, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Snyder and Union

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Pennsylvania:** Centre, Clinton, Juniata, Lycoming, Mifflin and Northumberland

**Impacted Area:** Pennsylvania

**Triggering Disaster #4:** Drought that occurred during July 1, 2022, and September 4, 2022

**Application Deadline:** Oct. 2, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Carbon, Lehigh, Monroe and Northampton

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Pennsylvania:** Berks, Bucks, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Montgomery, Pike, Schuylkill and Wayne

**New Jersey:** Sussex and Warren

**Impacted Area:** Pennsylvania

**Triggering Disaster #5:** Drought that occurred during July 1, 2022, through October 1, 2022

**Application Deadline:** Oct. 2, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Susquehanna and Wyoming

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Pennsylvania:** Bradford, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Sullivan and Wayne

**New York:** Broome and Tioga

**Impacted Area:** Pennsylvania

**Triggering Disaster #6:** Drought that occurred during July 19,2022, through October 4, 2022

**Application Deadline:** Oct. 2, 2023

**Primary Counties Eligible:** Dauphin

**Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:**

**Pennsylvania:**

Cumberland	Lancaster	Northumberland	Schuylkill
Juniata	Lebanon	Perry	York

### **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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