

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Farm Service Agency  
Texas State FSA Office  
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**TX NOTICE FLP-1358**

**3-FLP (Rev. 2)**

**FOR: County Offices**

**Secretarial Disaster Declaration S5166**

**Approved by: Acting State Executive Director**

**1 Overview**

**A Background**

On **April 18, 2022**, the Secretary of Agriculture designated **5 Texas counties** as primary natural disaster areas. This action is based on damages and losses **caused by Drought (Fast Track)** occurring **April 12, 2022 and continuing**. The primary counties are:

**Goliad      Menard      San Patricio      Travis      Williamson**

In addition to the above **counties**, **24 other Texas counties** are named as **contiguous** where eligible family farmers may qualify for FSA EM loan assistance, pursuant to section 321 (a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act. Those counties are:

**Aransas      Bastrop      Bee      Bell      Blanco      Burnet      Caldwell**  
**Concho      DeWitt      Hays      Jim Wells      Karnes      Kimble      Lee**  
**Live Oak      McCulloch      Mason      Milam      Nueces      Refugio      Schleicher**  
**Sutton      Tom Green      Victoria**

This designation makes farm operators in both primary and contiguous counties eligible to be considered for low-interest emergency loans from the Farm Service Agency (FSA), provided eligibility requirements are met. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, security available, and repayment ability.

**B Application Deadline**

EM Loan applications will be received through **December 19, 2022** for **production and physical losses**.

<b>Disposal Date</b>	<b>Distribution (6-RMH/4/21/2022)</b>
April 30, 2023	County Offices

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### **2 Action**

#### **A Exceptions for Application Deadlines**

County Offices shall thoroughly review Exhibit 1.

#### **B Determining Security Values**

For the purpose of determining loan security values for loan applications, the beginning date of the incidence period is **April 12, 2022**.

#### **C District Director's and Farm Loan Manager's Responsibilities**

District Directors and Farm Loan Managers shall follow instructions according to 3-FLP (Rev. 2), and FmHA Instruction 1945-A for emergency loan applicability.

The Farm Loan Manager shall notify borrowers of Disaster Set-Aside (DSA) availability in accordance with handbook 5-FLP paragraph 42.

#### **D Public Announcements**

Special emphasis will be placed on informing the farm community through public announcements and arranging and conducting meetings with local Agricultural lenders and leaders.

### **3 Contact Point**

#### **A Inquires**

If there are questions concerning this notice, contact the Conservation or Farm Loan Program Division.

Subject: **Secretarial Disaster Declaration S5166**

Please carefully review the notice listing the primary and contiguous counties determined eligible by the Secretary and the Emergency Preparedness and Programs Branch for emergency (EM) loans effective **April 18, 2022**.

This declaration is coded **S5166**, and EM loan applications will be received through **December 19, 2022**. For the purpose of determining loan security values for loan applications, the beginning date of the incidence period is **April 12, 2022**.

Please proceed to take the appropriate notification and coordination actions required by Handbook 1-DIS and 7CFR part 759.