



2024 Important Dates

Funding

Safety Net

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Contact your local [USDA Service Center](#) for program availability. For more information, tools and to find your local USDA Service Center, visit



Looking for a loan or just experienced a disaster?
The [farmers.gov](#) Farm Loan and Disaster Assistance Discovery Tools can help identify assistance you need after completing a few simple steps.

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Other Important Links:

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- [rma.usda.gov](#)
- [farmers.gov](#)

Marketing Assistance Loans (MALs)

- **January 31:** Deadline to request MAL for prior year harvested wool, mohair, and Loan Deficiency Payment (LDP) for unshorn pelts.
- **March 31:** Deadline to request MAL for prior year harvested wheat, barley, canola, crambe, flaxseed, honey, oats, rapeseed, and sesame.
- **May 31:** Deadline to request MAL for prior year harvested corn, cotton, soybeans and other oilseeds, rice, grain sorghum, and pulse crops.

Farm Storage Facility Loans (FSFL)

Applications are accepted year-round.

- Contact your local FSA office early in the planning process to determine what level of environmental review is required for your program application so that it can be completed timely.

Farm Loan Programs (FLP)

Applications are accepted year-round.

- Beginning Farmer Loans
- Farm Operating Loans
- Farm Ownership Loans
- Microloans (\$50,000 and under)
- Youth Loans

USDA also offers other funding opportunities to help farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners finance their business. Visit [farmers.gov/fund](#) for more information.

Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC) Program Deadlines:

- **2024 Enrollment:** March 15
- **Report ARC-IC Yields:** July 15

Dairy Margin Coverage (DMC) Program Deadline:

- **2024:** To be announced.

Organic Certification Cost Share Program (OCCSP) Deadline:

- **2024:** November 1

Crop Insurance

Visit [rma.usda.gov](#) for crop insurance information and to find a crop insurance agent near you.

Minnesota Sales Closing Dates:

- **March 15:** Corn, soybeans, beets, peas, small grains, and forage.
- **September 30:** Fall-seeded crops, including wheat and barley.
- **November 15:** Pasture, rangeland, and apiculture.
- **Ongoing:** Risk Management Agency (RMA) Dairy Revenue Protection Program.



Conservation

FSA Conservation Programs:

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)

- General CRP: **To be announced.**
- CRP Grasslands: **To be announced.**
- Continuous Signup: **Ongoing.**
- CRP Certification: **Annually by July 15.**

NRCS Conservation Programs:

Agricultural Conservation Easement Program

- *Applications accepted continually.*

Conservation Stewardship Program

- *Applications accepted continually.*

Environmental Quality Incentives Program

- *Applications accepted continually.*

USDA Offices Closed:

January 1	New Year's Day
January 15	Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday
February 19	Presidents' Day
May 27	Memorial Day
June 19	Juneteenth
July 4	Independence Day
September 2	Labor Day
October 14	Columbus Day
November 11	Veterans Day
November 28	Thanksgiving Day
December 25	Christmas Day

Disaster

Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)

- Retroactive for 2023 and moving forward, a **Notice of Loss** must be completed by the eligible producer no later than the program application date, which is 60 calendar days following the program year in which the loss occurred.

Livestock Forage Program (LFP)

- **January 30:** Final deadline to submit Application for Payment for 2023 losses.

Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP)

- The final date to file a **Notice of Loss** and submit an **Application for Payment** is 30 calendar days following the program year in which the loss occurred.

Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) Closing Deadlines

- **February 1:** *Onions.*
- **March 15:** *Spring-seeded annual crops and sage.*
- **May 31:** *Ornamental and non-ornamental nursery crops.*
- **November 20:** *Apples, aronia, blueberries, caneberrries, cherries, cranberries, elderberries, gooseberries, grapes, hopes, juneberries, pears, and plums.*
- **December 31:** *Honey and maple sap.*

Acreage Reporting

Acreage reporting, or certification, is an important part of determining eligibility for programs.

- **July 15:** Deadline for annual certification of beans, grass seed, perennial forage, and all other spring-seeded crop acreage.
- **November 15:** Deadline for annual certification of fall-seeded grains and RMA insured apiculture.

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