

2008 USDA Farm Service Agency Disaster Assistance Programs

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT *	RISK MGMT REQUIREMENT	PAYMENT METHOD	PAYMENT LIMITATION
SURE (Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments)	Provides benefits for farm revenue losses	Farm must either: 1) be in a county with a USDA Secretarial Disaster Designation or contiguous county 2) have an overall 50% production loss due to adverse weather	All crops in all counties must be covered by crop insurance or NAP	60% of the difference between the SURE guarantee and farm revenue	\$100,000 combined
LFP (Livestock Forage Disaster Program)	Provides benefits for grazing land affected by drought; public grazing land affected by wildfire or drought	Grazed land must be in county designated severely affected (Drought Monitor D2 status or higher) for minimum of 8 consecutive weeks during grazing period	Grazed land must be covered by crop insurance or NAP	60% x monthly feed cost; multiplied (1x, 2x, or 3x) by severity of drought; 50% x monthly feed cost for wildfires	
LIP (Livestock Indemnity Payments)	Provides benefits for livestock death losses due to adverse weather	Losses in excess of normal mortality	None	75% of the national market value of the livestock	
ELAP (Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-Raised Fish)	Provides emergency relief to producers of livestock, honey bees, and farm-raised fish	As determined by USDA Secretary	All crops in all counties must be covered by crop insurance or NAP	As determined by USDA Secretary	
TAP (Tree Assistance Program)	Provides assistance for tree, vine, and bush losses due to adverse weather	Losses must exceed 15%.		Up to 70% reimbursement for replanting; 50% reimbursement for other eligible costs; assistance limited to 500 acres	
NAP (Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program)	Provides minimal coverage for uninsurable crops.	Application with service fee must be filed prior to NAP application closing date	n/a	55% of the historical price for losses in excess of 50%.	\$100,000
EM (Emergency Loans)	Provides loans to borrowers who are unable to obtain financing for emergency losses	Applicant must be in a county with Presidential or USDA Secretarial Disaster Designation , or contiguous county; USDA Administrator may also qualify quarantine losses or physical loss loans only	May be required as condition for loan approval	Provides low interest loans to qualified applicants with eligible disaster losses	Principal not to exceed \$500,000



Disaster Assistance Program descriptions for general reference purposes. For further information, contact your local USDA Farm Service Agency office. For locations, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/ca

* For 2009 – 2011, producers are only eligible for the Disaster Programs (SURE, LFP, LIP, ELAP, TAP, and NAP) if their Non-farm Average Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) does not exceed \$500,000. For 2008, AGI rules remain the same as previous years.