



# DROUGHT

## *Relief Resources*

Drought creates challenging circumstances for Oklahoma farmers and ranchers to continue to produce food and fuel. Various resources exist that may be helpful to agricultural producers dealing with drought.

*UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE*

### **OKLAHOMA FARM SERVICE AGENCY**

The Oklahoma Farm Service Agency state office is headquartered in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Fifty-nine County Offices are positioned throughout the state to serve local producers.

### **LIVESTOCK FORAGE PROGRAM**

The Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) provides compensation to eligible livestock producers who have suffered grazing losses for covered livestock on land that is native or improved pastureland with permanent vegetative cover or is planted specifically for grazing.



Eligibility for LFP is based on a county's rating on the U.S. Drought Monitor ([droughtmonitor.unl.edu](http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu)). A county must have been considered in D2 (severe drought) status for eight consecutive weeks on the U.S. Drought Monitor or must have hit D3 (extreme drought) or D4 (exceptional drought) on the U.S. Drought Monitor to be eligible.

A map and list of eligible counties and pasture losses for LFP may be found on the FSA website at [bit.ly/livestockforageprogram](http://bit.ly/livestockforageprogram). This database is updated weekly on Thursdays following posting of the U.S. Drought Monitor.

***To apply for all programs, contact  
your local FSA office.***

***Find your local office at [bit.ly/okfsalocator](http://bit.ly/okfsalocator).***

## **EMERGENCY CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM HAYING AND GRAZING**

Emergency haying and grazing of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres may be authorized under certain conditions to provide emergency relief to livestock producers in times of severe drought or a similar natural disaster.

Approval for the emergency will be based upon drought severity as determined by the U.S. Drought Monitor. Eligible counties are posted each week at [bit.ly/emergencycrphayingandgrazing](https://bit.ly/emergencycrphayingandgrazing) following the Thursday drought monitor updates. Producers should contact their local FSA county office for eligible CRP practices.

## **EMERGENCY LIVESTOCK ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees and Farm-Raised Fish Program funds are available to assist in covering the cost to transport livestock to forage and grazing acres and the cost of hauling feed and water for livestock during drought.

A county must have been considered in D2 status for eight consecutive weeks on the U.S. Drought Monitor or must have hit D3 or D4 on the U.S. Drought Monitor.

An online tool for calculating above normal cost and estimating payments is available at [fsa.usda.gov/elap](https://fsa.usda.gov/elap).



## **OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND FORESTRY HAY PROVIDER DIRECTORY**

Producers can easily find hay for sale by utilizing the ODAFF Hay Provider Directory. The hay available is listed by county and has contact information for the sellers, including phone numbers and addresses. The type of hay offered is also included. The directory is regularly updated and producers can list their hay by utilizing the “Oklahoma Hay Directory Information” form listed on the web page. To view the directory, please visit [ag.ok.gov/hay](https://ag.ok.gov/hay).



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