FLOOD ASSISTANCE FOR CALIFORNIA RANCHERS
AN OVERVIEW OF USDA PROGRAMS PROVIDING FLOOD ASSISTANCE

EMERGENCY

LIVESTOCK INDEMNITY PROGRAM (LIP)
- Provides benefits for eligible livestock or injury.
- Must file notice of loss within 30 days or when loss becomes apparent.
- Proof of injury or death is required.
- Must be commercial livestock operation.
- Average Adjusted Gross Income cannot exceed $900,000.

EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ECP)
- Restore farmland and conservation structures damaged by natural disasters.
    - Debris Removal
    - Grading and Land Leveling
    - Fence Repair/Replacement
    - Water Infrastructure Restoration

- Cost share program
    - 75% of Agency established rates
    - 25% advance payment

- Deadline to apply, April 14, 2023.

FORAGE LOSSES

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR LIVESTOCK, HONEY BEES AND FARM-RAISED FISH (ELAP)
Livestock
- Benefits for livestock feed and grazing loss due to flooding, including losses of stored feed due to flooding.
- Must file notice of loss withing 30 days of when loss becomes apparent.
- Must be commercial livestock operation.

EMERGENCY LOANS
- Low interest loans available in disaster-declared counties and contiguous counties.
- Various programs available.
- Must be at least 30% loss.
- Must sign up withing 8 months of the disaster.
- Apply at local FSA county office.

HOW TO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE

CONTACT
Contact your local FSA office (or offices, if you ranch in multiple counties) to start the process of applying for these programs.

MORE DETAILS
Additional information about these programs and other flood resources is available at FSA.USDA.gov.

FURTHER HELP
For help contacting your FSA office or understanding what questions to ask, contact the Rancher Technical Assistance Program team at rtap@wrstrat.com or (916) 409-6902.

RTAP RANCHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
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