



August 04, 2016

Mr. Mike Ennis, Chairperson
Tulare County Board of Supervisors
2800 West Burrell Avenue
Visalia, California 93291-4582

Dear Chairperson Ennis:

On July 27, 2016, the U.S. Department of Agriculture granted a Secretarial disaster designation for the primary county of **Kings** and the contiguous counties of **Fresno, Kern, Monterey, San Luis Obispo** and **Tulare** due to agricultural losses caused by rain and wind that occurred April 8, 2016, through May 6, 2016.

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) is providing the enclosed information regarding this designation. Please inform potential applicants throughout your county of this designation and information.

Sincerely,

KARMA HACKNEY
Individual Assistance Officer

Enclosure

c: Tulare County Office of Emergency Services
Tulare County Agricultural Commissioner
Karen Ross, Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA)
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U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Designation USDA #S4003 – Rain and Wind

**Designation
Information**

The following table illustrates the designation information.

Eligible Primary County/Counties:	Kings
Eligible Contiguous County/Counties:	Fresno, Kern, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Tulare
Event:	Rain and wind that occurred April 8, 2016, through May 6, 2016
Assistance made available by designation:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency farm loans for both physical and crop production losses as a direct result of the disaster • Up to a maximum of \$500,000
Application deadline:	March 27, 2017
Who may apply:	Farmers and ranchers who conduct family-sized farming operations
How to apply:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office listed in the local telephone directory under U.S. Government, Agriculture • Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TDD)
USDA website for additional information:	https://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=home&subject=fmlp&topic=efl