



Support Agriculture Disaster Relief

- Farmers and ranchers from coast-to-coast have experienced overwhelming losses from weather-related disasters. The one thing farmers can't do is control the weather.
- Rural America is in an emergency situation. Producers need relief within weeks to repay loans and secure new financing in time for spring planting. The economic future of many rural American communities is uncertain given the significant losses.
- This disaster relief is aimed at providing an economic lifeline to those without deep pockets to sustain through extended periods of loss, such as 2005—it will not make any producer whole.
- Nearly 80 percent of U.S. counties were declared disaster or contiguous disaster counties last year due to devastating hurricanes, fires, floods, excessive moisture and severe drought, in 2005.
- The 2002 Farm Bill is not designed to provide protection or mitigate weather-related losses and risk management programs are insufficient in addressing production and quality losses.
- Multi-year droughts, continued flooding and increased pests and disease all are part of the current multi-faceted disaster.
- America's farmers and ranchers are looking to Congress to provide the relief they need to continue supplying the most abundant food supply in the world.

Support America's Farmers & Ranchers

Oppose Amendments to Strike or Reduce Agriculture Disaster Relief!