



March 8, 2016

Mr. Ron Roberts, Chairperson
San Diego County Board of Supervisors
County Administration Center
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 335
San Diego, California 92101

Dear Chairperson Roberts:

On March 2, 2016, the U.S. Department of Agriculture granted a Secretarial disaster designation for the primary counties of **Imperial, Marin, Mendocino, Trinity** and the contiguous counties of **Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Riverside, San Diego, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, and Tehama**. This designation is a result of the final rule announced for the USDA Disaster Designation Process (7 CFR 759), which includes the nearly automatic approval for counties with drought intensity levels of D2 (for 8 consecutive weeks), D3, and D4 as reported on the U.S. Drought Monitor.

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: **San Diego County Office of Emergency Services**
San Diego County Agricultural Commissioner
Karen Ross, Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA)
Gary Leslie, County/State Liaison, CDFA
Cal OES Regional Administrator
Cal OES Individual Assistance Division

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Designation USDA #S3964- D2, D3, D4 Drought

Designation Information

The following table illustrates the designation information.

Eligible Primary County/Countries:	Imperial, Marin, Mendocino, Trinity
Eligible Contiguous County/Countries:	Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Riverside, San Diego, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Tehama
Event:	Final rule for the USDA Disaster Designation Process (7 CFR 759), which includes the nearly automatic approval for counties with drought intensity levels of D2 (for 8 consecutive weeks), D3, and D4 as reported on the U.S. Drought Monitor. Incident Period: January 1, 2016, and continuing
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:	November 2, 2016
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



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Dear Chairperson Roberts:

The U.S. Small Business Administration declared the primary counties of **Imperial, Marin, Mendocino, Trinity** and the contiguous counties of **Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Riverside, San Diego, San Francisco, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, and Tehama** a disaster area. This declaration is a result of a March 2, 2016, U.S. Department of Agriculture disaster designation due to drought severity levels of D2 (for eight consecutive weeks), D3, or D4, as identified on the U.S. Drought Monitor.

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) is providing the enclosed information regarding this declaration. Please inform interested individuals, businesses, and city officials within your county of this declaration and information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karma Hackney".

KARMA HACKNEY
Individual Assistance Officer

Enclosure

c: **San Diego County Office of Emergency Services**
Cal OES Regional Administrator
Cal OES Individual Assistance Division

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Declaration SBA #14658- D2, D3, D4 Drought

**Declaration
Information**

The following table illustrates the declaration information.

Eligible Primary County/Counties:	Imperial, Marin, Mendocino, Trinity
Eligible Contiguous County/Counties:	Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Riverside, San Diego, San Francisco, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Tehama
Reason/Event:	March 2, 2016, U.S. Department of Agriculture disaster designation due to drought severity levels of D2 (for eight consecutive weeks), D3, or D4, as identified on the U.S. Drought Monitor.
Assistance made available by declaration:	SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans
Application deadline for business economic injury:	November 2, 2016
Who may apply:	Small, non-farm businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, and most private non-profit organizations of any size. Small businesses include those that do business directly with the growers, such as truckers and suppliers of agricultural equipment or services.
How to apply:	Contact SBA at 1-800-659-2955 , or visit SBA's website at: www.sba.gov/disaster , or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov Hearing impaired individuals may call 1-800-877-8339.