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SAN DIEGO COUNTY DESIGNATION FOR FLOOD DISASTER

To San Diego County Farmers and Ranchers:

This notice is to inform you that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has designated Imperial County as a primary county for flooding and flash flooding associated with monsoonal thunderstorms that occurred between July 13, 2012 and August 13, 2012. USDA has also designated San Diego County as a contiguous county for this disaster. This designation, USDA # S3439, means that farmers and ranchers that conduct family-sized farming operations in San Diego County, and have suffered actual losses as a result of this disaster may apply for emergency farm loans up to a maximum of \$500,000 at an interest rate of 3.75%.

If you feel you may qualify for this funding, contact the Farm Service Agency office at: United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency, 430 G Street, Suite 4161, Davis, CA 95616-4161 or (530) 792-5520. USDA's website contains additional information: www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/disaster/assistance.htm, click on "Disaster Assistance Programs." The deadline for applying for these programs is July 15, 2013.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audio tape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

If you have any questions about this matter, you may contact Sandy Parks at (858) 614-7702 or by email sandy.parks@sdcounty.ca.gov

Sincerely,

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