



**Cal OES**  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

April 10, 2014

Ms. Dianne Jacob, Chairperson  
San Diego County Board of Supervisors  
County Administration Center  
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 335  
San Diego, California 92101

Dear Chairperson Jacob:

On April 9, 2014, the U.S. Department of Agriculture granted a Secretarial disaster designation for the primary county of **Imperial**, and the contiguous counties of **Riverside** and **San Diego**. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karma Hackney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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 #S3668 - D2, D3, D4 Drought

**Designation  
Information**

The following table illustrates the designation information.

<b>Eligible Primary County(s):</b>	<b>Imperial</b>
<b>Eligible Contiguous County(s):</b>	<b>Riverside, San Diego</b>
<b>Event:</b>	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. <b>Incident Period:</b> February 11, 2014
<b>Assistance made available by designation:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emergency farm loans for actual losses as a direct result of the disaster</li> <li>• Up to a maximum of \$500,000</li> </ul>
<b>Application deadline:</b>	<b>December 9, 2014</b>
<b>Who may apply:</b>	Farmers and ranchers who conduct family-sized farming operations
<b>How to apply:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office listed in the local telephone directory under U.S. Government, Agriculture</li> <li>• 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)</li> </ul>
<b>USDA website for additional information:</b>	<a href="https://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=home&amp;subject=fmlp&amp;topic=efl">https://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=h ome&amp;subject=fmlp&amp;topic=efl</a>