

Drought Relief Programs

With portions of North Dakota facing extreme drought conditions, Governor Doug Burgum has declared a drought State of Emergency in several counties, directing state officials to take all necessary actions to assist residents. A summary of assistance programs available to residents is listed below.

Agency	Type of Assistance	Programs	Summary	Website	Phone
ND Department of Agriculture	Livestock	Drought Hotline/Map	Interactive map with contact information of hay sellers, haulers, and those with pasture land for rent	www.nd.gov/ndda/content/ view-interactive-drought- hotline-map	701-425-8454
NDSU Extension Service	Livestock	NDSU FeedList	Online resource connecting buyers and sellers of feedstuffs (hay, pasture, corn, etc)	www.ag.ndsu.edu/feedlist	701-231-7171
ND State Water Commission	Livestock	Livestock Water Supply Program	Cost-share assistance to livestock producers with water supply shortages caused by drought	www.swc.nd.gov	701-328-4989
NDSU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory	Livestock	Livestock Water Quality and Specialized Testing	Services for those concerned about livestock diseases caused by contaminated drinking water	www.vdl.ndsu.edu	701-231-8307
Farm Service Agency (FSA)	Livestock	Emergency Loan Program (EM) Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)	Financial assistance to help producers recover from production and physical losses	www.disaster.fsa.usda.gov	701-239-5224
Farm Service Agency (FSA)	Crops	Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) Emergency Forest Restoration Program (EFRP) Tree Assistance Program (TAP)	Financial assistance for emergency water conservation measures; non-insurable crop loss; farmland or tree orchard rehabilitation; and restoration of forest areas.	www.fsa.usda.gov/ conservation www.fsa.usda.gov/nap www.disaster.fsa.usda.gov	701-239-5224

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US Department of Agriculture	Livestock	USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service	Can grant access to lands enrolled in Wetland Restoration Easements and Waterbank program for grazing and haying	www.nd.nrcs.usda.gov	701-530-2000
ND Department of Human Services	Public Assistance	Public Assistance Programs	Individuals and families may qualify for financial assistance with food, home heating, child care costs, and health care coverage.	www.nd.gov/dhs/services/ financialhelp	701-328-2332 or your local county social service office
FirstLink	Behavioral Health	FirstLink 2-1-1	Free, confidential community health and human services resource center available by phone 24/7	www.myfirstlink.org/ community-resources	2-1-1
ND Department of Health	Behavioral Health	Suicide Prevention Lifeline	Free, confidential, professional support 24/7 for people in distress	www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org	1-800-273-8255
ND Department of Human Services	Behavioral Health	Behavioral health crisis lines, assessment and counseling	Confidential crisis lines answered 24/7, walk-in behavioral health assessments, and crisis counseling	www.nd.gov/dhs	Bismarck: office 701-328-8888 crisis 701-328-8899 Dickinson: office 701-227-7500 crisis 701-290-5719 Jamestown: office 701-253-6300 crisis 701-253-6304 Minot: office and crisis 701-857-8500 Williston: office 701-774-4600 crisis 701-572-9111
ND Highway Patrol, NDDOT	Commercial vehicles hauling hay, water, supplies	Relaxed Commercial Vehicle Regulations	Fees waived for commercial vehicles hauling hay, water and livestock supplies. The Governor's eexecutive order acts as permit and must be in vehicle.	www.nd.gov/ndhp/ motor-carrier	701-328-5128