

**Deadline: May 4, 2025**

NCDA&CS Disaster Relief Program  
for farmers affected by Hurricane  
Helene & other natural disasters.



# AG DISASTER CROP LOSS PROGRAM



[FAQ Disaster Website:](#)

## **What is the purpose of the funds?**

The Agricultural Disaster Crop Loss Program was developed and administered in accordance with provisions found in S.L. 2025-2 (The Disaster Recovery Act of 2025 – Part I) to provide financial assistance for agricultural producers who had verified losses from any agricultural disaster in 2024 including Hurricane Helene, drought, Tropical Storm Debby and Potential Tropical Cyclone 8.

## **Who is eligible?**

A person who experienced a verifiable loss of agriculture or aquaculture commodities or farm infrastructure as a result of a Presidential or Secretarial declared disaster (including contiguous counties) in 2024.

All 100 counties are eligible as a primary or contiguous county under various declarations including drought and extreme heat, excessive rain and Tropical Storm Debby, and Hurricane Helene.

## **How are payments calculated?**

Payment calculations will be based on information from the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Farm Service Agency 578 Producer print or 2024 FSA crop report, average county yield data and state price averages provided by USDA – National

Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). An IRS Form 1099 for miscellaneous income will be issued to your business entity for tax year 2025 for this payment.

**Where is the money coming from?**

The program is funded from a state appropriation authorized by S.L. 2025-2: The Disaster Recovery Act of 2025 – Part I.

**Who is administering the program?**

The North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is administering the program.

**What are the application dates and deadlines?**

The application period will open on April 1, 2025 and will close May 4, 2025.

**Can I request an extension?**

Producers of nursery crops, fruit-bearing trees and bushes, and specialty crops where survival levels is not immediately known, may request an extension of their deadline another 45 days to June 18, 2025. The request must be received in writing to [agdisaster@ncagr.gov](mailto:agdisaster@ncagr.gov).

**How do I obtain a 2024 Farm Service Agency 578 Producer Print?**

Please reach out to your local FSA office. Any FSA County Office in the State will be able to email the 2024 578 Producer Print to the Applicant.

**What is my application or payment status?**

We are unable to give any payment information at this time including estimated payments or timeline for payments. It is our intent to distribute payments as quickly as possible once applications are verified.

After your application is received and reviewed, you will receive a letter detailing the approval, including award amount or disapproval of your application.

**What if I forgot my username or password?**

Navigate to the application portal and click “Forgot Password?” under the returning user section. Enter the email address associated with your account. You will receive an automated email to the email address associated with your account that will have the username in the first line of the body of the email. Click on the

link in the email to reset the password. After the success page, return to the portal and login.

### **Can I take a Picture of the form NC Sub-W9 Tax form?**

The preferred method of submitting this tax form is to complete it online, sign it manually or electronically, save it as a PDF file and attach it to the online application.

### **I don't have internet access. How can I apply?**

Contact your local extension office for application assistance. [NC State Extension](#)

### **If reported acres are on shares, how do I report these acres on the application form?**

The acres reported on an applicant form should be the percentage of total acreage reported by the applicant (not the total acres of the farm)

### **If I do not have an e-mail address, how do I apply?**

A valid e-mail address is necessary for completion of the application. An e-mail address of a close friend or family member may be an option. Staff will primarily utilize phone numbers for follow ups if question arise during the review process.

### **What information is required on the Sub W-9**

**\*\* All sections marked with a red asterisk on the form are REQUIRED\*\***

- Select SSN - for individual or TIN - for farm
- Complete with exhibitor SSN or TIN
- Write your full legal name the same way it appears on your social security card or business entity (as applying for program)
- Address line 1: mailing address for applicant
- City - city
- State - state
- Zip Code - zip code
- County - county
- Contact Name - contact name for exhibitor
- Phone Number - phone number for contact
- Email Address - email address for contact
- Entity Type - Select "Individual"

- Entity Classification – Select “Other” write “Farmer” in the blank space below it.
- Printed Name - Print your name
- Printed Title - Write NA
- Authorized US Signature - Sign your name
- Date

**Do I have to have a separate username and password for each application?**

No. The same login can be used for each application. The user login is specific to the Helene or Non-Helene application. If applying for both, then a user login will need to be created for each type of application.

**Who do I contact if I have questions?**

Please send any questions via email to [agdisaster@ncagr.gov](mailto:agdisaster@ncagr.gov) at any time or call the Disaster Assistance Hotline 1-866-645-9403 from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Monday – Friday.

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