

DROUGHT RELIEF FUNDS



Ventura County Resource Conservation District (VCRCD) has reimbursement funding available for agricultural and working lands impacted by drought since 2017.

VCRCD will distribute reimbursement for approved droughtrelated practices or verified expenses to farmers and ranchers in Ventura, Santa Barbara, and other counties. See back for already approved practices and expenses.



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if interested in drought relief reimbursement funding for your agricultural operation.



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Pre-Approved Practices/ Expenses Eligible under the CUSP Drought Relief Direct Producer Grant Program

- 1. Drilling of new wells or repairs on existing wells if sole source of water for operation. To be eligible, an applicant must provide written verification from a Groundwater Sustainability Agency managing the basin or area of the basin where the well is located or proposed to be located approving the action, per Executive Order N-7-22.
- 2. Increased electric utility bills of 30% or more due to increased electricity rates.
- 3. Surface water costs if increase from year prior.
- 4. Cost of hauling water for livestock.
- 5. Lowering ag well pumps if a primary source of water is lost.
- 6. Emergency upgrades to irrigation system (paired with conservation) if not covered through CDFA OEFI programs or USDA programs and for other emergency scenarios.
- 7. Decreased crop yields/crop loss due to less water available or having to fallow land.
- 8. Increased feed costs for dairies and livestock operations.