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news release

DROUGHT DISASTER DESIGNATION APPROVED FOR DUVAL AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES

For immediate release, Tuesday, December 31, 1991

WASHINGTON -- Rep. E (Kika) de la Garza (D-Tex.) announced Tuesday that the Secretary of Agriculture has approved an emergency disaster declaration for Duval and its seven contiguous counties. Other counties included in the disaster declaration are Brooks, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, La Salle, Live Oak, McMullen and Webb counties.

The Secretary's disaster designation makes farmers in the eight counties eligible for the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) emergency loan program if they meet the qualifying criteria.

USDA issued the disaster declaration based on drought conditions that existed in the area during the first half of 1991.

Farmers interested in applying for the loans or seeking additional information should contact their county or district FmHA office, Rep. de la Garza advised.

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