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Oregon Disaster Assistance Payments (ODAP)

On December 13, 2021, the Oregon Legislature approved SB 892, which established the framework for a unique forgivable disaster loan program for Oregon's farmers and ranchers recovering from natural disasters in 2021. The forgivable loan program intends to provide direct assistance payments to producers where there are gaps in federal funding or act as bridge loan for when the USDA FSA disaster program begins.

ODA has begun implementing SB 892, which involves rulemaking, contracting with financial institutions, and creating program details. ODA shares the urgency to implement Oregon's Disaster Assistance Payments (ODAP) quickly and prioritize the program according to state law.

ODA intends to announce an early 2022 launch for ODAP.

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

- ODAP will assist eligible farmers and ranchers in Oregon who suffered losses due to natural disasters in 2021. Loan amounts are based on gross farm income reported on the IRS Schedule F Form. ODAP will measure 2021 loss by establishing a three (3) year baseline of expected gross farm income based on an eligible producer's mean income from 2017, 2018, and 2019.
- ODAP is structured on whole-farm gross income, recognizing producers had standard expenses into their operations while receiving depressed income due to unpredicted disasters. These payments are intended to extend financial support to help producers remain solvent and continue to produce Oregon quality products for years to come.

ELIGIBILITY & HOW TO APPLY

An individual or legal entity that files a 2021 Schedule F for farming and ranching in Oregon who experienced loss due to a qualified natural disaster is eligible to apply.

As ODAP develops, this fact sheet will be updated with refined criteria, but producers who are considering applying should be prepared to submit:

- Schedule F forms from 2017, 2018, 2019
- Schedule F form from 2021 for forgiveness determination
- FSA application when applicable
- DAP development will determine other required documentation

SB 892 authorizes ODA to contract with lending institutions to administer ODAP to provide locally trusted access/programmatic support. As ODAP is implemented, a list of participating lending institutions will be announced with additional program details.



LIMITATIONS & FORGIVENESS

ODAP has a loan limitation of \$125,000 or 90% of the 3-year baseline, whichever is less.

- Once a loan is made, a producer will have to return a final 2021 Schedule F reflecting final gross income and any federal disaster payments received.
- A producer's federal assistance will be added to their 2021 gross farm income, and the limitation formula will be recalculated to determine forgiveness.
- By design, a producer may have to repay the whole loan amount based on the amount received in federal assistance with the loan serving to bridge producers to that time.

Example	No Federal Payments	Federal Payments
3-year Baseline	\$100,000	\$100,000
90% Limitation	\$90,000	\$90,000
2021 Gross Income	\$50,000	\$50,000
Loan Amount	\$40,000	\$40,000
Federal Payments	\$0	\$50,000
Forgiveness	\$40,000	(\$40,000)

Note for livestock producers:
Consider discussing IRS Notice 2021-55 with your financial advisor to understand how to calculate above-average sales.

NEXT STEPS

Please sign up for additional information as ODA implements SB 892 and application timelines.

A federal program is expected in 2022, which will provide assistance based on crop and acreage that typically is a more favorable program than a whole farm assistance program. ODA will share federal information when applicable.

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