



North Dakota

Livestock Drought Resources

NDSU Extension Service

www.ag.ndsu.edu/drought 701-231-7171
Information on a variety of drought-related topics, including livestock and crop production; feeds and feeding; forages and grazing; livestock poisoning; lawns, gardens and trees; and farm/family stress

www.ag.ndsu.edu/publications

To find a specific publication, use the search window on the top of the page and type in a topic or publication number.

■ Livestock

- Strategies for Managing Drought in the Northern Plains – R1819
- Alternative Feeds for Ruminants – AS1182
- Comparing Value of Feedstuffs – AS1742
- Nitrate Poisoning of Livestock – V839
- Feeding Management for Backgrounders – AS1158
- Drylot Beef Cow/Calf Production – AS974
- A Cow-Calf Producer's Guide to Custom Feeding – AS1162
- Feeding Corn to Beef Cattle – AS1238
- Cyanide Poisoning – V1150
- Livestock Water Requirements – AS1763
- Livestock Water Quality – AS1764
- Cyanobacteria (Blue-green Algae) Poisoning – V1136
- Range and Forage Production Sample Kits – R1838

■ Kids and Family

- Farming and Ranching in Tough Times – FS1804
- Responding to Distressed People – FS1805
- Stress Management for Farmers/Ranchers – FS284
- Farm/Ranch Stress Management Plan – FS287
- Working with Distressed Clientele – FS1789

County Extension Agent Directory:

www.ag.ndsu.edu/extension/directory/counties

Agriculture and Natural Resources Specialist Directory:

www.ag.ndsu.edu/extension/directory/agnr

North Dakota Department of Agriculture

www.nd.gov/ndda/drought-resources

701-328-2231 or 800-242-7535

Drought resources, meeting summaries, news releases and links to additional information and agencies

- Drought hay hotline and interactive drought hotline map – 701-425-8454, www.nd.gov/ndda/content/view-interactive-drought-hotline-map
A resource to find hay buyers and sellers, locations with pasture available, and dry lot locations for livestock
- N.D. Mediation Service: 844-642-4752, www.nd.gov/ndda/program/north-dakota-mediation-service
Provides mediation to farmers and ranchers on a wide range of issues, including disputes with federal and state agencies, wetland determinations, farm programs, crop insurance and agricultural credit
- N.D. State Board of Animal Health: 701-328-2655, www.nd.gov/ndda/animal-health/north-dakota-state-board-animal-health
Contact for concerns relating to livestock health and to report illness or death of livestock
 - Anthrax information at www.nd.gov/ndda/disease/anthrax
 - Requirements to transport animals across state lines www.nd.gov/ndda/animal-health-division/animal-movement-and-importation-requirements

North Dakota Stockmen's Association

www.ndstockmen.org/brand-inspection/inspection-guidelines, 701-223-2522

Brand inspection for transporting livestock

Feeding Resources

These sites are open for people to list hay and feed needs, hay and feed for sale or donation, and haulers available.

NDSU FeedList: www.ag.ndsu.edu/feedlist

N.D. Department of Ag Drought Hotline, 701-425-8454

Interactive Map: www.nd.gov/ndda/content/view-interactive-drought-hotline-map

ND Response

www.ndresponse.gov

Official portal of North Dakota state government that pulls together drought information and news releases from multiple state agencies

Other Drought Resources

■ U.S. Drought Monitor

A weekly map of drought conditions by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the National Drought Mitigation Center (NDMC) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>

■ USDA Farm Service Agency

Administers programs to assist farmers and ranchers, including disaster relief programs. Contact a local FSA office (<https://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app>) to determine eligibility for disaster relief programs. 701-239-5224, www.fsa.usda.gov/disaster

- Livestock Forage Program (LFP): provides financial assistance based on eligible grazing losses
- Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP): losses related to blue-green algae and anthrax can be covered under this program
- Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) emergency grazing and haying
- Emergency Loan Program: provides loans to help producers recover from production and physical losses due to drought
- Emergency Livestock Assistance Program (ELAP): provides financial assistance based on eligible water hauling expenses.

■ North Dakota State Water Commission

Administers the Drought Disaster Livestock Water Supply Project Assistance Program for cattle producers impacted by drought; 701-328-2750, www.swc.nd.gov/project_development/drought_disaster_livestock.html

■ North Dakota Department of Health

Responsible for managing surface water quality in the state's streams, lakes and reservoirs, which includes reporting and monitoring of harmful algal blooms (cyanobacteria/blue-green algae) that impact human use; 701-328-2372 www.ndhealth.gov/WQ/sw/HABs/defaultHABs.htm

■ USDA North Dakota Drought Calculator

Helps ranchers and other rangeland managers assess impacts of drought on forage production, enabling them to make better-informed decisions as to alternative drought strategies. Developed by USDA–Agricultural Research Service in Fort Collins, Colorado; USDA–Natural Resources Conservation Service; and NDSU Central Grasslands Research Extension Center. <https://nrcc.ars.usda.gov/DCND/>

■ USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Offers financial and technical assistance to help producers make and maintain conservation improvements on their land, including water developments and fencing. Can grant access to lands enrolled in Wetland Restoration Easements and Waterbank program for grazing and haying. Contact local NRCS office for information on cost-share availability for improvements. 701-530-2000, www.nd.nrcs.usda.gov

■ North Dakota Game and Fish Department

For questions related to haying and grazing land enrolled in the PLOTS program; 701-328-6300 <https://gf.nd.gov/plots/landowner>

■ North Dakota Department of Transportation

Relaxed hours of service for drivers of commercial motor vehicles transporting livestock, hay and water; relaxed weight restrictions transporting hay and water; fees waived for commercial vehicle drivers hauling hay, water and livestock supplies. All drivers must carry a copy of the executive order with them in the cab at all times. 701-328-5128, <http://bit.ly/ExecOrder17-11>

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