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## **News Release**

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## USDA Targets Funds to Help Producers Address Natural Resource Concerns Along Southern Border

Applications for this targeted funding will be accepted through April 29, 2022

PHOENIX, Arizona – Mar. 1, 2022 – The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service is accepting applications through April 29<sup>th</sup> from agricultural producers <u>along the southern border</u> to address natural resource concerns caused by damaged infrastructure on agricultural operations.

Eligible producers within the identified priority area may apply for assistance to repair conservation practices that address the following resource concerns:

- Feed and forage imbalance
- Plant productivity and health
- Inadequate livestock water

This targeted initiative will not expand or significantly change an existing system. The intent is to repair existing infrastructure to the extent needed to address the resource concerns where existing practices have been damaged.

Eligible conserveration practices:

- Fence
- Livestock Pipeline
- Watering Facility
- Pumping Plant (solar)

Applicants are asked to provide documentation, such as photographs, to support that the damage was caused by border related activities.

Eligible poducers and landowners interested in applying for this targeted assistance should apply by **April 29, 2022** to be considered for funding. To apply for assistance, contact NRCS at your local USDA Service Center. Find your local Service Center at <a href="www.farmers.gov/service-locator">www.farmers.gov/service-locator</a>.