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# Drought livestock sale: Sweet Grass County, MT

**Information only; not financial, tax or legal advice. Ask your tax preparer whether and how IRC §1033(e) or §451(g) applies. FSA decides program eligibility.**

Taxpayer: _____ Preparer: _____

## IRS drought lists for the applicable region (county + contiguous counties)

Region: Sweet Grass County, MT; Golden Valley County, MT; Meagher County, MT; Park County, MT; Stillwater County, MT; Wheatland County, MT. Source: Census county adjacency file.

| 12 months ending | IRS notice | Region counties listed |
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| 2026-08-31 | Notice 2026-54 https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/n-26-54.pdf | Sweet Grass County, MT, Golden Valley County, MT, Meagher County, MT, Park County, MT, Stillwater County, MT, Wheatland County, MT |
| 2025-08-31 | Notice 2025-52 https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/n-25-52.pdf | Meagher County, MT, Park County, MT |
| 2027-08-31 (running, through 2026-11-15) | not yet published | Sweet Grass County, MT: D2+ 5 wk (2026-09-01 to 2026-09-29); Golden Valley County, MT: D2+ 5 wk (2026-09-01 to 2026-09-29); Meagher County, MT: D2+ 3 wk (2026-09-01 to 2026-09-15); Park County, MT: D2+ 3 wk (2026-09-01 to 2026-09-15); Stillwater County, MT: D2+ 5 wk (2026-09-01 to 2026-09-29); Wheatland County, MT: D2+ 5 wk (2026-09-01 to 2026-09-29) |

Notice 2006-82: a 4-year §1033(e) replacement period is extended until the end of the taxpayer's first tax year ending after the first drought-free year (12 months ending Aug 31 with no severe, extreme or exceptional drought anywhere in the region). Check the U.S. Drought Monitor archive: droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Maps/MapArchive.aspx

## USDA disaster designations naming the county

| Designation | Type | Hazard | Approved |
|---|---|---|---|
| S6054 | Contiguous | Drought-FAST TRACK | 2025-09-02 |

## Sale numbers (entered by the producer)

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| Tax year of sale | |
| Head sold on account of drought | |
| Head usually sold in a year | |
| Excess head | |
| Average price per head | |
| Proceeds from excess head | |
| Basis per head | |
| Gain on excess head | |

Only livestock held for draft, breeding or dairy; not poultry or slaughter animals; only the number sold in excess of usual business practice. Bring sale barn receipts, prior-years' sale counts, and the designation numbers above. Arithmetic only; Cownty computes no tax. Producer's own numbers; Cownty stores nothing from this page.