

Drought Survey Results

- Survey initiated January 24th
- Survey requested production information for pasture, rangeland, oat hay, oat grain, oat silage, straw, green chop, volunteer hay, corn silage or “other”.
- 46 respondents by 2/12
- Results tabulated & compiled, and Damage Assessment Report with letter to FSA by 2/18 documenting the level of loss.

Summary of Results

- Rangeland-94% loss
- Pasture-93% loss
- Oat hay-100% loss
- Volunteer hay-100% loss
- Oat silage-41% loss
- Ryegrass silage-65% loss
- Total projected financial loss \$6,241,171

Comments received about what type of assistance would help besides financial assistance through USDA

- **Not having to get permits for small animal shelters, particularly on large parcels.**
- **More streamlined process/less regulation on the building of reservoirs for water storage on ranches and farms.**
- **Streamlined permitting for barns to store hay. No property taxes on barns used to store hay/feed.**
- **Better availability of grazing insurance besides NAP.**
- **Reimbursement for supplemental feed costs. (multiple comments)**
- **No restrictions by Petaluma for use of water outside city limits.**

Comments Continued

- Per head payment for feed & per acre for lost pasture.
- Funding for water tanks troughs and fencing.
- Alternative local source of potable water. Explore de-salination opportunities.
- Have the government “seed” the clouds.
- Just “make it rain”.