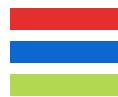


When the USDA opened its next round of applications for flood easements for farmers in Iowa, it expected a couple dozen requests. It got 400. That would swamp the \$36 million available for the program, but is a sign of the hurt that's out there in rural Iowa from this year's severe flooding.

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