



# RiceTec

## Gulf Coast Harvest Update

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## Texas

Harvest season has kicked off in the Texas Gulf Coast. There have only been a few fields completed, but the early numbers are looking good with the yield monitors bouncing between 100 and 120 CWT wet. We started off the week with less than 10% of the crop drained, and I believe we will be more than 50% drained by the first of next week. With the hot-dry weather pattern that we are in, most growers are being very cautious to not drain too early.

With rice harvest underway in much of the Gulf Coast, it's time to implement a plan to get the

best ratoon performance out of your hybrid rice investment. Let's review some of the proven ratoon management practices used by growers across the Texas Rice Belt. With this weather pattern, it is imperative to get water back across the field as soon as possible following the combine to protect the second growth from drying out. With the hybrids, we have seen the best results when flail mowing to 6 to 8 inches, fertilizing with 150-200 pounds of urea, and flushing through the field maintaining shallow water and wet conditions until the regrowth has come back.

*RT7521 FP East Bernard, TX*



## SE Texas & SW Louisiana

Early March planted rice is starting to be harvested in SETX and SWLA. So far, yield reports have been really good. Hybrid yields are averaging in the 50-60-barrel range. The forecast is calling for a chance of rain today throughout next week, but harvest should ramp up in the area none-the-less. An opportunity for a strong ratoon crop also exists, so mow or roll your stubble soon after harvest and add 100 units N followed with a flood.



# Field Update



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## Loyalty Rebate Reminder

We are currently in the process of registering growers for our loyalty rebate program. If you are at least 90% RiceTec hybrid across your farm, please get a copy of your 2020 FSA 578 to your RiceTec Sales rep by August 1st so that we can get you qualified.

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## South Louisiana

Harvest has started strong in south Louisiana, and we expect yields to get even better as we move into the bulk of the hybrid crop next week. We are hearing yields of 60-62 barrels on XP753, while CLXL745 is coming in at 53-60 barrels. A bonus this harvest season thus far is that we are cutting the first crop on dry ground, preventing rutting and ensuring the ratoon crop gets off to a good start. With this dry weather pattern, just be sure and not delay fertilizing and flooding up the second crop.

Sheath Blight Trial  
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