



RiceTec

Harvest Update

September 28, 2020



RiceTec Field Day

RiceTec released a virtual field day website the end of August. You can find those videos at <https://fieldday.ricetec.com>. The site contains several videos that you can watch at your leisure to learn more about how RiceTec continues to “Revolutionize Rice Production”.

NE Arkansas & SE Missouri

Harvest had been moving along at a rapid pace up until the rain event last week which put growers out of the field for a few days. Most got going again over the weekend only to be slowed again by rain early Monday morning.

We are nearing 50% harvested across Region 1 and the weather forecast for the next several days looks pretty good so we should be able to make fairly significant progress in the coming days. Harvest conditions have been wet and muddy and it appears that will continue at least for now. Considering how poor harvest conditions have been most growers have been making pretty good progress when the weather has allowed.

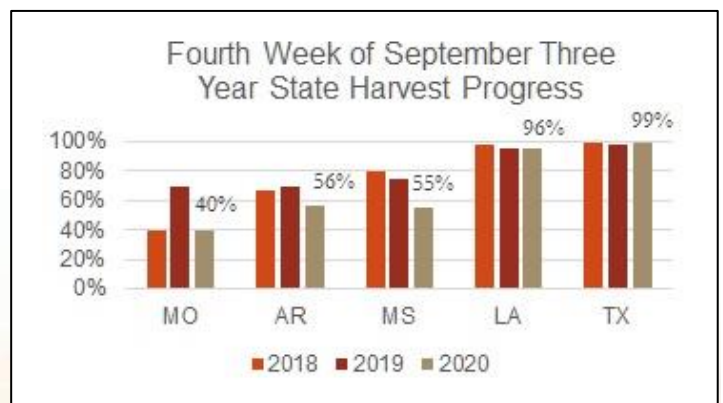
Yields continue to be good and the hybrid yield advantage has been very evident again this year. Stay safe out there and let us know how we can help!

Central Arkansas

Rice harvest was stopped in it’s tracks early last week with growers eventually getting back in the fields for a couple of days, only to have harvest halted once again due to overnight rain. It appears this front will bring drier, cooler weather and growers should be back in fields quickly.

We are approaching 60% harvested for the region, however, it has been slowed by wet conditions and some rice lodging. Growers will have a break in the weather until this weekend, when the possibility of rains re-enter the forecast. Yield reports continue to come in with good results in a trend that hopefully continues.

Please stay safe and “Thank You” for your business!



Mid-South Harvest tracking behind last two years



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S. Arkansas & Mississippi

Remnants of Tropical Storm Beta moved through the Region on Tuesday night (9/22) and Wednesday (9/23) of last week dumping between 1" and 6" of rainfall depending on location. The heavier rain amounts were mostly concentrated east of the Mississippi River. Prior to the storm, most growers got about three days of harvest progress in before Beta shut things down. Combines did get rolling again across South Arkansas over the weekend and are moving at a very slow rate due to the wet, soggy field conditions. Rain is expected again today (9/28), but sunshine and lower temperatures are in the forecast over the next week. The majority of the remaining crop is still standing following two tropical storms moving through the Region over the last couple of weeks which speaks well of the standability of RiceTec's current genetic lineup.

In the Arkansas portion of the Region, yield reports from the field continue to be very good ranging from 180 to 230 bushels per acre, and the few milling yields that have been reported are average to good. On the Grand Prairie and down through Southwest Arkansas, approximately 65% of the crop has been harvested. In Southeast Arkansas growers have gathered about 50% of the crop and hope to make good progress throughout the next week.

Further east into the Mississippi Delta, nearly 55% of the rice crop is in the bin with the majority of what is remaining being in the northern and far eastern parts of the Delta. No harvesting took place after Beta moved through early last week (9/22-9/23), and another 1/4" of

rain fell across the Delta this morning (9/28) that will keep folks out of the field for a few more days. Yields trends continue to be very strong with the vast majority of reports coming in between 190 to 220 bushels per acre.

It's that time of year again when we are just about ready to rollout our sales programs for the 2021 growing season that will mark RiceTec's 30th year of working to revolutionize rice production.

Please contact your local RiceTec rep for more information, and thanks for your business!

Central & NE Louisiana

Tropical storm Beta put a major halt on the rice harvest in Northeast Louisiana last week. Many areas received five to eight inches of rain in the delta region of District 11. Some low-lying fields next to small bayous and canals were covered in water for several days. We hope the water recedes quickly so we can get this crop harvested and, in the bins, to avoid any weather-related quality issues. However, a cool front pushed through the area today (9/28) bringing another round of showers and lowering temperatures into the low 50s at night. With days getting shorter and cooler growers are taking tires off and putting on tracks to get the remaining rice out of the field. Our customers should be able to get back to cutting rice by Wednesday or Thursday.



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Texas & Louisiana Coast

Despite a cool front arriving today (9/28) and slowing our Gulf Coast ratoon crop down, we are still anticipating a mid to late October harvest for much of the crop. The second crop is heading or fully headed, and we are just waiting to fill grain. As mentioned before, we are collecting ratoon crop data consisting of grain yield and milling on our Farm Scale Yield Trials throughout Texas and South Louisiana. Contact your local District Sales Manager if

you would like a guided tour.

There are some late planted RiceTec hybrid rice fields currently being harvested in south Louisiana, with the stubble being used for crawfish forage. This not only allows for a good yield on a late planted rice crop, but also provides more pounds of forage for crawfish that lasts well into the crawfish trapping season.

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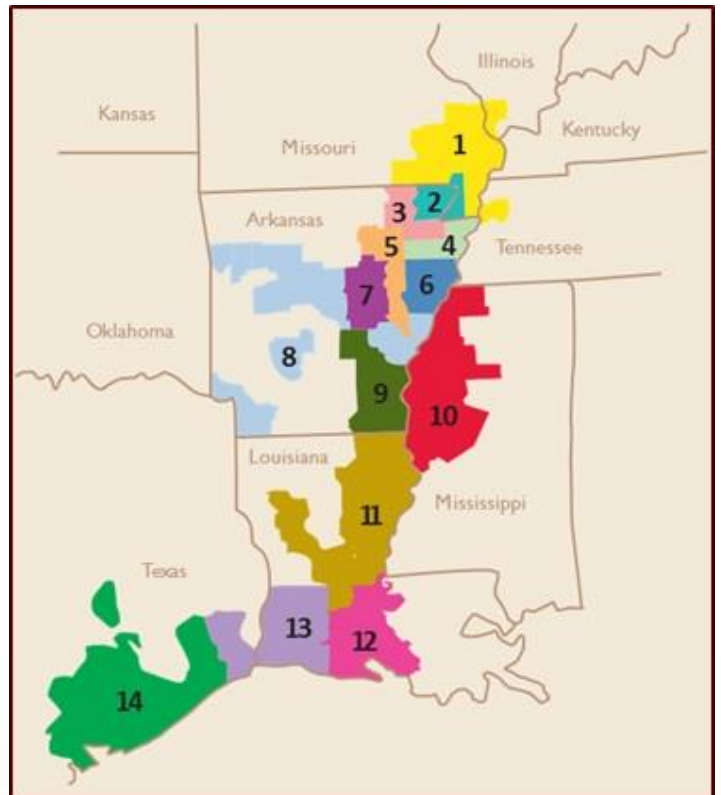
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