



RiceTec

Harvest Update

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RT - Region Four

Texas & Louisiana

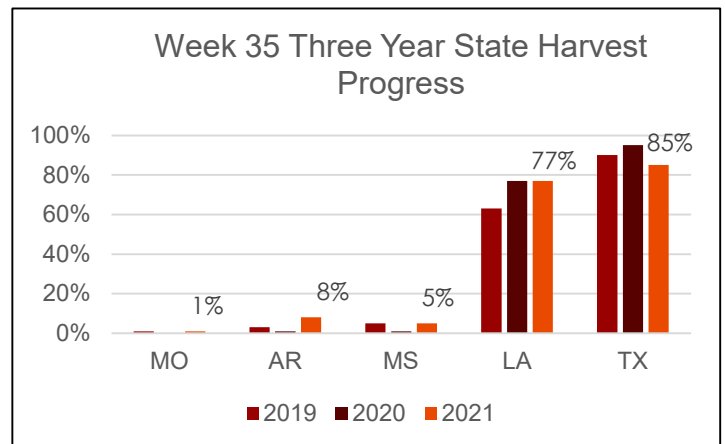
Fortunately, most of the rice crop in southern Louisiana was harvested when Hurricane Ida came ashore last Sunday. The remaining crop dodged a bullet with the storm as it took an easterly path away from our rice producing acres in northeast Louisiana. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with those that were affected by this devastating hurricane in Louisiana and across our nation.

Harvest is hitting high gear in northeast Louisiana, with RT7321 FP getting a lot of attention for its high yield growers are experiencing thus far into the harvest season. As we move into the coastal areas of Louisiana and Texas, first crop harvest is coming to an end, with very good yields being reported in both states. The ratoon crop is off to a good start with our HT and conventional hybrids looking good early.

RT – Region Three

South Arkansas and Mississippi

Rice harvest has moved into full gear on the Grand Prairie and down into southeast Arkansas this week. Hurricane Ida came through the Region on Monday (8/30), but the storm tracked far enough east that she didn't cause any issues for the growers west of the Mississippi River. In the Mississippi Delta, Ida



did flex her muscles with up to 3" of rain and 40 mph wind gusts causing some lodging. Most of the down rice is within rice that is ready for harvest. With sunshine and warmer temperatures returning on Tuesday morning, growers in Mississippi were able to get back running combines again yesterday afternoon (9/2).

Yields reports are still very good, mostly ranging between 190-235 bu./acre dry. It's still early in the season for patterns to emerge, but early results give us plenty to be excited about moving forward. Weather forecasts for the next week are favorable for good harvest conditions so we expect to see some good progress over the next week.

We have not harvested any RFYT trials or Max-Ace™ demonstrations as of today (9/3), but many of them have been drained so results should be coming very soon.

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RT – Region Two

Central Arkansas

Harvest is picking up steam for Region 2 as we estimate to be around 8% complete. Early reports for yields remain good but are still too few to give us an indication on how this crop will yield. Everyone is thankful we dodged the remnants of Hurricane Ida as it passed to our east. We received some wind, but nothing serious enough to cause significant lodging.

We have harvested 3 of our Max-Ace varietal (RTv7231 MA) demo fields with yields ranging from mid-180's to upper 190's. We are excited to see the final results and look forward to having a product to compete for the ACCase acres.

RT – Region One

NE Arkansas & SE Missouri

Harvest has started in Region 1 this week for some, and the weather has been very cooperative allowing those growers to make pretty good progress. Not all growers have started rice harvest yet, some are picking corn

and others are a few days away from optimal harvest moisture. We anticipate that next week will be very busy and most everyone will be able to get started with rice.

Couple of reminders as we move into more widespread harvest next week: Optimal harvest moisture should be targeted at 18-20%, research has shown this to be the most profitable harvest moisture to maximize grain and milling yields. If you plan to use sodium chlorate, be prepared to harvest in 3 days. DO NOT get too far ahead of the combine with sodium chlorate or yield and grain quality could be negatively impacted.

The earliest hybrid yields that have been reported are very good. There hasn't been enough cut yet to know what yields will be like on the whole crop but we are definitely off to a good start. Hopefully, this trend will continue. There is a small chance of rain over the weekend but next week looks good so we should start making pretty good progress on getting the crop out of the field.

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