



RiceTec

Field Update

May 6, 2022



RT - Region One

Northeast Arkansas & Missouri

We have been able to make some progress since the last report, but it was short lived with the entire region getting rained out on Monday afternoon. Rainfall amounts ranged from ¼ to 2 inches on Monday. There was a small area in the Missouri Bootheel that was able to get back in the field Wednesday to make a little more progress only to be slowed again by rain on Thursday. The weather system on Thursday brought another ½ to 1 inch of rain across the region.

If the current 10-day weather forecast holds true, next week will be the weather that we have been hoping for all Spring. High temperatures nearing 90 and minimum rain chances should allow for our first chance to actually make some progress in getting the rice crop planted. Fingers crossed that the forecast is accurate!

We have been able to plant 6 of the 16 planned RFYT's in Region 1. Hopefully we can get several more planted next week.

RT – Region Two

Arkansas

The recent rains were a blessing to some and a curse to others. The southern area of Region 2 has been planting since the middle of last week and needed a shower to activate pre-emerge chemicals and replenish soil moisture lost to the recent sunshine and winds. The central and northern areas began planting late last week and made huge progress until the recent rains shut everything down. Rain across our region ranged from 1" to more than 5" in isolated areas causing growers to be out of the fields until early next week.

Speaking of next week, the forecast is sunny and very warm, which should allow many growers to make their final push to complete this year's rice planting season.

State	Planted	Emerged
MO	23%	5%
AR	35%	11%
MS	70%	40%
LA	92%	80%
TX	95%	90%



RT – Region Three

Mississippi Louisiana & Texas

Planting is quickly wrapping up in Texas, and a good portion of the early planted acres are going to permanent flood. Fields that suffered sandblasting injury early have recovered well. In south Louisiana, the majority of acres are going to permanent flood. Some billbugs and chinch bugs were found in isolated areas this week in some RT7521 FP. Unproductive crawfish ponds are being drained for rice planting. Some of the earliest planted rice will be at or near panicle initiation next week.

In northern Louisiana and Mississippi, growers have been able to make significant progress over the last week. Stands look really good on the emerging rice. Rain overnight will stop additional planting in these areas until early next week. Of the remaining acres to plant in Mississippi, nearly 90% of them are in the northern part of the Delta. Areas along and north of MS Highway 6 have gotten measurable amounts of rain from every front this Spring.

RT – Sales Regions

