

# Rice Research Verification

**Week of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008**

## Northern Fields

Mid-season nitrogen has been applied in five of the 12 fields (Clay, Craighead, Crittenden, Prairie, and St. Francis counties). Lawrence and Pope counties were the last two fields to be flooded. Boot applications of nitrogen will be applied in the fields with hybrid varieties (Lawrence, Lonoke, Pope, Randolph and Woodruff counties). The grass is finally dying in the Mississippi County field following the Clincher application. All of the fields are in excellent condition and growing well. None of the fields has been treated for rice water weevil; however, Lawrence and Pope counties will be scouted this week as they have just been flooded. Sheath blight has been observed in the Crittenden and Craighead County fields in small areas. The Craighead County field will be at 50% heading within two weeks.

## Stewart Runsick

## Southern Fields

Mid-season nitrogen has been applied to six of the 10 fields (Lee, Lonoke, Arkansas-Stuttgart and Dewitt, Prairie and Ashley counties). Clark and Ashley were the last to be flooded. Late boot applications of nitrogen will be applied to hybrid varieties (Jefferson, Drew and Lincoln). The Clincher application at Ashley County seems to be

working. All the fields are growing well with no fertilizer deficiencies. The Lee County field is the only one treated for water weevils. Sheath blight has been observed in Arkansas County in small areas. The Lee County and Arkansas County fields will be at 50% heading within two weeks.

University of Arkansas, United States Department of Agriculture and County Governments Cooperating.

The Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service offers its programs to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, disability, marital or veteran status, or any other legally protected status, and is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.