
Rice Research Verification Update

Northern fields: Stewart Runsick

Stinkbug numbers remain below treatment level in all of the northern verification fields. The Lonoke and Jackson County fields have been drained. The Cross and Mississippi County fields will be ready to be drained soon. The boot nitrogen applications have been applied in Clay and Lawrence Counties and the rice is heading this week. Sheath blight can be found in areas of fields where excessive nitrogen was applied, but remains below treatment levels in the fields that have not been sprayed with fungicide. False smut has been found in Jackson, Mississippi, and Randolph Counties at low levels.

Southern fields: Ralph Mazzanti

Sheath blight is found below treatment levels in the hybrid fields. Stink bug levels are remaining low after treatments to Ashley, Chicot, Prairie and Clark Counties. The Arkansas County field is being drained. Lee County will be drained this week. The fields with predicted drain dates next week are: Jefferson, Lincoln, Chicot, Prairie and Ashley Counties. The Drew County field received late boot application of fertilizer on 10 August. Small amounts of false smut are being found in late planted hybrid rice.

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