

# Regional Rice Report

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HARVEST UPDATE



## CLEARFIELD® Varieties Putting Up Impressive Yields

Early yield reports for CLEARFIELD varieties in the Gulf Coast regions of both LA and TX indicate a bumper rice crop that could set new yield records for the area. CL151 is putting up big numbers in both TX and LA and continues to impress everyone in the rice industry.

With CL151, growers east of Houston are reporting significant yield increases over last season, with farmers in the Garwood area reporting 56 to 62 bbl/a (201.6 to 223.2 bu/a). Early reports from farmers in south LA indicate CL151 is yielding with the best of the CL hybrids in the area. One farmer near Iowa, LA reports harvesting 160 acres that yielded 52 bbl/a, and claims it to be one of his best yields ever.



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*John Jenkins and a CL151 rice field near Winnie, TX.*

### Yield reports from CL151 locations include:

Lake Arthur, LA	60.0 bbl/a	(216.0 bu/a)
Gueydan, LA	57.0 bbl/a	(205.2 bu/a)
Kaplan, LA	55.6 bbl/a	(200.2 bu/a)
Iowa, LA	52.0 bbl/a	(187.2 bu/a)
Ganado, TX	57.0 bbl/a	(205.2 bu/a)
Winnie, TX	53.0 bbl/a	(190.0 bu/a)
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## “CLEARFIELD® Varieties Putting Up Impressive Yields” continued

The new CL111 is demonstrating its early maturity and high yield potential. A demonstration field near Eunice, LA was divided at planting between CL111, CL131, CL151, CL161 and CL171-AR. All varieties were planted on the same day. CL111 was harvested on Aug. 3 and averaged 59.6 bbl/a. The other varieties in this field are at least a week away from harvest. The early maturity and the high yield potential of CL111 will allow farmers to get in the field earlier for harvest and increase chances for a successful ratoon crop.



*The CL111 fields at the LSU South Farm in Crowley, LA show outstanding yield potential prior to harvest.*



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### Yield reports from CL111 locations include:

Eunice, LA	59.6 bbl/a	(214.7 bu/a)
Iowa, LA	57.1 bbl/a	(205.6 bu/a)

We encourage local growers to stop by the South Farm at the LSU Rice Research Station in Crowley, LA and view CL111 seed production that is close to harvest. A very impressive field and we're anxiously looking forward to harvest there, which should be sometime next week.

### Other early yield reports include:

CL131 near Eunice, LA	51.0 bbl/a	(183.0 bu/a)
CL161 near Kaplan, LA	53.5 bbl/a	(192.6 bu/a)