

Annual Western Rice Belt Conference-El Campo, Texas - January 19, 2022

The annual Western Rice Belt Production Conference will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at the El Campo Civic Center. The Rice Conference is composed of a Production Conference for rice producers and rice industry professionals, and a Rice Consumers Seminar for homemakers. Registration for the conference will begin at 7:30 a.m., with the main program to begin at 8:10 a.m. After a catered lunch, provided by area agribusiness sponsors, the program will conclude around 2:30 p.m.

This joint effort between the Western Rice Belt planning committee, The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, U.S. Rice Producers Association, and U.S.A. Rice will offer growers and others the opportunity to hear presentations from the professionals and leaders in the agriculture industry. Topics and speakers will include: **Rice Variety Performance** – presented by RiceTec, Horizon Ag, and Dynagro; **Rice Dryer Variety Data for 2022** – Corrie Bowen; **Row Rice Production** – Dr. Jarrod Hardke, University of Arkansas; **Pesticide Laws and Regulations Update**, Stephanie Theriot; **Carbon Credit Economics** – Dr. Luis Ribera; **Rice Market Outlook** – Dr. Thomas Wynn; **Farm Policy Update** – Dr. George Knappek, and an update on **Conservation Programs for Working Lands** – Dennis Neumann. The Texas Rice Council will also conduct their Annual Meeting in conjunction with the 2022 Western Rice Belt Conference. The results of the Rice Poster Contest will be announced during the lunch hour by County Extension Agents Lori Garcia and Laura Reyna. The Rice Consumers theme this year is “Rice Around the World”, featuring rice recipes around the globe.

For more information, contact the Texas AgriLife Extension office in Colorado County at 979-732-2082; in Matagorda County at 979-245-4100; or Wharton County at 979-532-3310; or go to <http://wharton.agrilife.org> and click on Events to view a flyer for the Rice Conference. 2 CEU's (1 L&R and 1 GEN) for TDA Pesticide Applicators will be awarded at this event. CCA hours have been applied for and will be offered pending approval. Pesticide Applicators are reminded to provide their Pesticide Applicator License number at registration.

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WESTERN RICE BELT PRODUCTION CONFERENCE

TEXAS RICE COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING • EL CAMPO CIVIC CENTER

RICE TRADE SHOW

Including booths from
Conference Sponsors

EXHIBITS INCLUDE

Equipment
Seed Dealers
Chemical Suppliers
Other Rice Industry
Products

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| 7:30 a.m. | REGISTRATION |
| 8:10a.m. | Welcome |
| 8:15 a.m. | Rice Variety Performance |
| | RiceTec—Derrol Grymes |
| | Horizon Ag—Tim Walker |
| | Dynagro—Randy Ouzts |
| 9:15 a.m. | BREAK |
| 9:30 a.m. | Rice Dryer Variety Data 2022—Corrie Bowen |
| 10:00 a.m. | Row Rice Production - Jarrod Hardke, Agronomist—Univ. of Arkansas |
| 10:30 a.m. | Carbon Credit Economics— Luis A. Ribera, Ph.D. |
| 11:00 a.m. | TDA Pesticide Laws and Regs Update - Stephanie Theriot |
| 12:00 p.m. | LUNCH |
| | Rice Poster Contest Results - Laura Reyna and Lori Garcia |
| 12:50 | Conservation Programs for Working Lands—Dennis Neumann |
| 1:00 p.m. | Farm Policy Update—George Knappek, Ph.D. |
| 2:00 p.m. | Rice Market Outlook - Thomas Wynn, Ph.D. |

2.0 TDA CEUs
CCA Credits Applied for

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