

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Chairman's Report



Chairman Bert Manuel

Welcome to the 55th annual report to the California Rice Growers. In this year's report, we will update you on grower funded research from 2023. Various projects that were funded included rice breeding, variety trials, weed and disease management, cover crop studies, invertebrate pest management as well as several others.

The 2023 season saw a return of normal planting acres, but yields were all across the board due to late planting and a cool summer. The Rice Research Board was able to fund a full slate of projects for the 2023 crop year. We are hopeful that with the rainfall and snowpack from this winter's storms that planting will continue to stay in the 500,000 acre range, and as of this writing it looks like the crop size will be reduced to 450,000 acres due to the late spring rains. It seems every year is different with the weather dictating what we are planting. Let's hope for a rebound in paddy rice prices for the 2024 crop, as expenses still seem to be on the rise.

Below is a list of the projects in this report. I hope that you will look through the areas that interest you, and read the full reports for further information. Complete technical reports as submitted by the researchers can be found by clicking on the individual project titles.

In spite of the challenges that we've faced over the last few years, I'm happy to report that we are continuing to make good progress in the various projects funded by the rice industry. None of that happens without the ongoing support of the California growers through the Rice Research Board. Many thanks to you all. I wish you the best for another safe and productive year in rice country.



2023 California Rice Research Board Projects

- ❖ [Protection of Rice from Invertebrate Pests \(Ian Grettenberger, UC Davis\)](#)
- ❖ [Improving Fertilizer Guidelines for California's Changing Rice Climate \(Bruce Linquist, UC Davis\)](#)
- ❖ [Variety Adaptation and Cultural Practice Research \(Bruce Linquist, UC Davis\)](#)
- ❖ [Rice Disease Research and Management \(Luis Espino, UC Cooperative Extension\)](#)
- ❖ [Refining Armyworm Monitoring Using Pheromone Traps \(Luis Espino, UC Cooperative Extension\)](#)
- ❖ [Weed Management in Rice \(Kassim Al-Khatib, UC Davis\)](#)
- ❖ [Weedy Red Rice Control in Rice \(Whitney Brim-DeForest, UC Cooperative Extension\)](#)
- ❖ [Emerging Weed Issues in Rice \(Whitney Brim-DeForest, UC Cooperative Extension\)](#)
- ❖ [Cover Crop Variety Trial in Rice \(Whitney Brim-DeForest, UC Cooperative Extension\)](#)
- ❖ [California Ricelands Salmon Project \(California Rice Commission\)](#)
- ❖ [Rice Experiment Station \(Dustin Harrell, Teresa DeLeon, Nirmal Sharma, Frank Maulana, Gretchen Zaunbrecher\)](#)
- ❖ [Application of Forward and Reverse Genetics for Rice Improvement \(Tom Tai, USDA-ARS\)](#)
- ❖ [The Effects of Post-Pyrolysis Treatments on the Properties of Rice Straw for Use in Cement-Based Materials \(Sarah Miller, UC Davis\)](#)
- ❖ [Quantifying Water Use of Cover Crops in Rotation with Rice \(Kosana Suvocarev, UC Davis\)](#)



Whitney Brim-DeForest



Ian Grettenberger



Luis Espino



Kassim Al-Khatib



Bruce Linquist

Audited Financial Statement

Combined Statement of Activities for the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Condensed financial statements were derived from audited financial statements and a full copy of the audited financial statements can be obtained by contracting the Rice Research Board.

	General Fund	Reserve Fund	Totals
REVENUE			
Assessments	\$ 1,702,548	\$ -	\$ 1,702,548
Interest Income	-	262,989	262,989
United Tariff-Rate Quota Management Funds	-	525,869	525,869
Miscellaneous	22,835	-	22,835
Total Revenues without Donor Restrictions	1,725,383	788,858	2,514,241
EXPENDITURES			
Administrative			
Administrative Benefits	2,500	-	2,500
Administrative Services	108,000	-	108,000
Administrative Tax and Insurance	9,901	-	9,901
Annual Report	19,700	-	19,700
Audits	13,043	-	13,043
Insurance	2,698	-	2,698
Memberships	1,000	-	1,000
Miscellaneous	52	-	52
Office Facilities	770	-	770
Office Services	6,000	-	6,000
Office Supplies	2,285	-	2,285
Postage	1,539	-	1,539
Telephone	65	-	65
Travel and Mileage	9,133	-	9,133
	176,686	-	176,686
Program:			
Research	1,993,278	1,307,000	3,300,278
Rice Research Trust Grant	-	500,000	500,000
	1,993,278	1,807,000	3,800,278
Departmental:			
Marketing Branch	54,910	-	54,910
Enforcement	12,000	-	12,000
	66,910	-	66,910
Total Expenditures	2,236,874	1,807,000	4,043,874
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(511,491)	(1,018,142)	(1,529,633)
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	882,980	10,463,892	11,346,872
Net Assets at End of Year	371,489	9,445,750	9,817,239

*2022-2023 assessment rate was \$0.07 per cwt

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