

**ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM**  
**AGENCY PROGRAM COMMENTARY**  
**1999 - 2001**

The budget of the Arkansas Rice Research and Promotion Board for the 1999-2001 biennium will be funded entirely by special revenues collected from assessments on all rice produced in Arkansas. Effective August 1, 1996, producers began paying an assessment of at least 1.15 cents per bushel with those funds used for rice research and extension programs and rice buyers began paying an assessment of 1.35 cents per bushel with those funds designated for rice promotion and market development programs.

The budget request includes a very limited amount of funds for administrative and board-related expenses, while most of the request is in categories that will allow funding of programs directly related to the objectives of the Board.

A budget change request is being made for Appropriation 998 to allow for increases in expenditures due to anticipated increases in total collections from the program. The collection increases are expected due to continued increases in productivity of rice producers and the potential for an increase in the producer assessment as allowed for in the current legislation.

<b>AGENCY</b> ARKANSAS RICE RESEARCH & PROMOTION BOARD	<b>DIRECTOR</b> 	<b>AGENCY PROGRAM COMMENTARY</b> BR21	<b>PAGE</b> 335
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ARKANSAS RICE RESEARCH AND PROMOTION BOARD  
SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1996

Assets					Liabilities			Total Equity	
Cash and Investments	Fixed	Other	Total	Current	Long-term	Total			
\$ 443,349	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 443,349	\$ 194	\$ 0	\$ 194	\$ 443,155		

  

Revenues				Expenditures						Other Sources (Uses)
Inter-governmental	Federal	Licenses and Fees	Other	Total	Salaries and Matching	Grants and Aid	Capital	Other Operating	Total	
\$ 2,945,626	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,945,626	\$ 0	\$ 1,537,500	\$ 0	\$ 1,369,980	\$ 2,907,480	\$ 0

Findings

None.

Recommendations

None.

Audited by Division of Legislative Audit  
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**ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM  
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET REQUEST  
1997 - 1999**

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The Arkansas Rice Research and Promotion Board is requesting a budget totaling \$4,480,696 annually. The change request of \$500,000 will allow for appropriation authorization at a level necessary to provide for use of anticipated receipts. The Board is funded entirely from special revenues collected from assessments on all rice produced in Arkansas. These funds are used to finance the Board's operating expenses and to provide rice research and market development.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

<b>AGENCY</b> Name: Rice Research and Promotion Board  Code: 326	<b>APPROPRIATION</b> Name: Rice Research and Promotion Board  Code: 998	<b>TREASURY FUND</b> Name: Rice Research Promotion  Code: SRP	<b>ANALYSIS OF BUDGET REQUEST</b>  BR20	<b>PAGE</b>  337
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CHARACTER TITLE	-----EXPENDITURES-----			-----99-00 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----00-01 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S-----			
	97-98	98-99	98-99	CHANGE		TOTAL	CHANGE		TOTAL	EXECUTIVE		LEGISLATIVE	
	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	AUTHORIZED APPRO	BASE	LEVEL	REQUEST	BASE	LEVEL	REQUEST	99-00	00-01	99-00	00-01
RATING EXPENSES	7,913	26,000	26,000	26,000	0	26,000	26,000	0	26,000	26,000	26,000		
RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT	3,946,462	3,954,696	4,035,935	3,954,696	500,000	4,454,696	3,954,696	500,000	4,454,696	4,454,696	4,454,696		
TOTAL	3,954,375	3,980,696	4,061,935	3,980,696	500,000	4,480,696	3,980,696	500,000	4,480,696	4,480,696	4,480,696		
PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES			*****										
TOTAL BALANCES	583,486	571,858	*****	253,097		253,097	334,336		334,336	253,097	334,336		
TOTAL REVENUES			*****										
TOTAL REVENUES	3,942,747	3,661,935	*****	4,061,935	500,000	4,561,935	4,061,935	500,000	4,561,935	4,561,935	4,561,935		
TOTAL FUNDS			*****										
CENTRAL SERVICES FUND			*****										
REVENUE RECEIPTS			*****										
TOTAL FUNDS			*****										
TOTAL FUNDING	4,526,233	4,233,793	*****	4,315,032	500,000	4,815,032	4,396,271	500,000	4,896,271	4,815,032	4,896,271		
NET APPROX (FUNDING)	( 571,858)	( 253,097)	*****	( 334,336)		( 334,336)	( 415,575)		( 415,575)	( 334,336)	( 415,575)		
TOTAL	3,954,375	3,980,696	*****	3,980,696	500,000	4,480,696	3,980,696	500,000	4,480,696	4,480,696	4,480,696		

APPROPRIATION SUMMARY

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PROGRAM/SERVICE INFORMATION LIST

RANK BY APPROPRIATION

01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
RANK	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	FUND	ACCOUNTING INFORMATION	D E S	-----EXPENDITURES-----		-----1999 - 01 BIENNIUM REQUESTS-----						-----R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S-----					
					ACTUAL	BUDGETED	-----FY 1999 - 00-----		-----FY 2000 - 01-----				-----EXECUTIVE-----		-----LEGISLATIVE-----			
					97-98	98-99	REQUEST	REQUEST	REQUEST	REQUEST	REQUEST	REQUEST	1999-00	2000-01	1999-00	2000-01		
000		SRP	326 998	B	3,954,375	3,980,696	3,980,696					3,980,696			3,980,696			
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001		SRP	326 998	C01			500,000					500,000			500,000			
							0					0						
<p>Revenue increases are anticipated due to continued increases in productivity and the possibility of an increase in the rate of the producer portion of the program. A change request is being made so that adequate appropriation will be available to allow expenditure of funds for their designated purpose. The request is made for appropriation 998 for the 1999-2001 biennium.</p>																		

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 IGY 326 ARKANSAS RICE RESEARCH AND PROMOTION BOARD  
 IPRO 998 ARKANSAS RICE RESEARCH AND PROMOTION BOARD  
 FUND SRP ARK RICE RESEARCH & PROMOTION-(326)

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