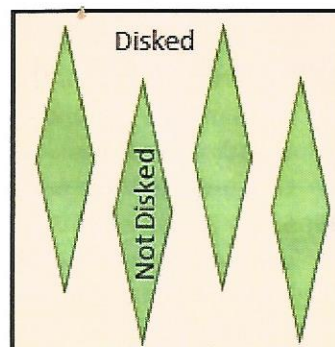


Important Reminders for Planting Rice:

- 🐼 ONLY two units should be planted in rice due to water/irrigation restrictions (Units 4, 6, 7 or 10).
- 🐼 Units 6 and 7 should not be planted in the same year due to irrigation restrictions.
- 🐼 Disk units flat as possible in October or November, before the planting year.
- 🐼 Drawdown to expose mudflats on the crown of the unit the morning of planting. Do not drain off ditches around crown, it's going to be muddy.
- 🐼 Broadcast rice at approximately 80 lbs/ac.
- 🐼 Fertilize fields with 33-0-0 at 100-150 lbs/ac the same day of planting or the following day. Make sure fertilizer is wet to reduce the chances of it gassing off and not absorbing into the soil.
- 🐼 If no rain forecasted, flush unit with 1-2" the week after planting and fertilizing.
- 🐼 Flush field to 1-4" when plants are 8-10" tall.
- 🐼 Disk approximately 50-75% of the unit in a natural mosaic style (see example) the summer/fall before planting. Let non-disked areas and other sedges/grasses grow with rice throughout the summer, this will reduce evaporation. Mow or disk non-planted areas in October or November before flooding to open landing areas and thermal cover for ducks.



Moist Soil Production (3-Year Rotation/Disturbance on 3rd Year)

Month	Management Action
July-November	Disk 1-4 units to smallest dirt clumps possible. Spray or mow swamp smartweed, redvine and other broadleaf and invasive plants.
November-February	Flood units in winter in stages for mudflat use.
March-June	Flood units to full capacity. Ensure units remain flooded to discourage broadleaf plants from occurring.
June 15 th -July 1 st (1 st growing season)	Use smooth drum roller on disked units (from previous year) when there is 1"-3" of water on the units. Operating tractors in with ample water on units will allow for more floatation (or a dozer). Allow evaporation to initiate drawdown.
July 1 st – August 31 st	Mowing can be used in areas with sprangletop and panic grasses to produce higher seed yields. Avoid mowing during severe drought years. It may also be used in areas to set back broadleaf plants.
December 1 st -February	Begin scheduled stage flooding events.
March-June	Flood units to full capacity. Ensure units remain flooded to discourage broadleaf plants from occurring.
July 1 st (2 nd growing season)	If water still present, begin slow drawdown by removing one board a week. Evaporation will most likely initiate drawdown.
December 1 st -February	Begin scheduled stage flooding events.
July-November	Disk units to smallest dirt clumps possible.

