

Dry Year Impacts in RICE COUNTRY



Meager rain and snowfall have prompted water cutbacks of at least 25 percent in the Sacramento Valley.



Less water means reduced rice plantings.



Less rice grown impacts rural communities.



Reducing habitat for millions of birds that depend on rice fields, particularly during drought.



Our region's economy suffers, as rice farms, mills and allied businesses provide billions of dollars to our region and state.

Rice and the Environment

Sacramento Valley rice fields.....

Provide food and a resting place for nearly

230 wildlife species 

7-10 million

migrating duck and geese call these fields home each fall and winter.

61% food supply

provided during the fall and winter for millions of migrating ducks and geese.



Also, there's promising results from pilot research growing juvenile salmon in rice fields during the winter, then releasing them to the ocean.

Rice and the Economy

California Rice contributes more than...

\$5 billion and over **25,000** jobs

Rice Farming provides twice the benefits- virtually all of America's sushi rice and vital wildlife habitat!

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