

Peanut growers who consistently produce high-yielding, high-quality crops are deserving of special recognition. Farm Press, in cooperation with the Southern Peanut Growers Conference, has established the

PEANUT EFFICIENCY AWARD

We hope you will be a part of this special program. Winners of the 2018 awards will be featured in special Peanut Efficiency issues of Southeast Farm Press, Delta Farm Press, and Southwest Farm Press.

Farm Press will present Peanut Efficiency Awards to growers in three major U.S. peanut producing regions. Awards will be based on production efficiency, honoring those growers who produce the highest yields at the lowest cost per acre.

The Farm Press Peanut Efficiency Award for 2018

Three regional winners are honored.

Winners are selected from these regions:

- The Lower Southeast Region, including Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Arkansas, and Mississippi.
- The Upper Southeast Region, including North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia.
- The Southwest Region, including Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico.

Presentation of awards will be at the Southern Peanut Growers Conference in July, 2018.

Here's how winners are determined.

Program advisor for the Peanut Efficiency Awards is Dr. Marshall Lamb, research leader with the National Peanut Research Laboratory at Dawson, Ga. Dr. Lamb has designed a measurement tool to be used by growers in determining production efficiency.

Assisting with the awards program is an Advisory Board of Extension peanut specialists, county agents, economists, and commodity group leaders from the major peanut-producing states. They help to distribute nomination forms to Extension agents in their respective states.

Data entered on the nomination form should be based on a producer's entire farm operation and not on individual farms or small plots. Actual per-unit costs and returns information shall remain confidential to Dr. Lamb and members of the Advisory Board

Growers may submit their nomi-

nation form directly to the National Peanut Research Laboratory, or they may submit it to their county Extension agent.

Farm Press editors, working with Dr. Lamb and his staff, will select the regional winners from the pool of state nominees. Southeast Farm Press Editor Brad Haire will coordinate the program. The Advisory Board periodically reviews the program to insure consistency.

Education is a major component.

Southeast Farm Press, Delta Farm Press, and Southwest Farm Press will publish a series of articles throughout the year focusing on peanut production efficiency. For easy recognition, each will include the Peanut Efficiency program logo.

NOMINATIONS DEADLINE

The deadline for all nominations is April 17, 2018. Completed forms should be sent to:

Dr. Marshall Lamb USDA-ARS National Peanut Laboratory P. O. Box 509 Dawson GA 31742

(Questions or comments may be directed to Dr. Lamb at (229) 995-7417, or via e-mail at:

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NOMINATION FORM

FARM PRESS Peanut Efficiency Award for 2018

Farmer NameAddress		
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	Date	
Total irrigated acres		
Average irrigated yield per acre		
Average irrigated SMKSS, OK, & LSK		
Average irrigated rotation sequence Expected irrigated selling price/ton		
(Include LDP, loan gains, and equities)		
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Total non-irrigated acres		
Average non-irrigated yield per acre		
Average non-irrigated SMKSS, OK, & LSK		
Average irrigated rotation sequence Expected non-irrigated selling price/ton		
(Include LDP, Ioan gains, and equities)		
For the following varieties of peanuts planted, list Variety Non-Irrigated		
Cover crop on non-irrigated peanuts: bushels/ac	re Price/bushel	
Cover crop on irrigated peanuts: bushels/acre	Price/bushel	
Interest rate on operating capital		
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For the following production inputs, please provide both the average quantity and price for non-irrigated and irrigated peanuts.

		Non-Irrigated		Irrigated	
Input	Units	Quantity	Price	Quantity	Price
Seed Peanuts	Per Acre				
Inoculant	Per Acre				
NUTRIENTS	Per Acre				
Lime					
Fertilizer					
Landplaster					
Boron					
Other Nutrients					
Other Nutrients					
PESTICIDES					
<u>Herbicides</u>	Per Acre				
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<u>Insecticides</u>	Per Acre				
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		Non-Irrigated		Irrigat	Irrigated	
	Method	Quantity	Price	Quantity	Price	
<u>Fungicides</u>	Per Acre					
<u>Nematicides</u>	Per Acre					
Other Pesticides	Per Acre					
Irrigation	acre-inches					
Cleaning	\$/ton					
Drying	\$/ton					
Crop insurance	Per Acre					
Custom work 1	Per Acre					
Custom work 2	Per Acre					
Custom work 3	Per Acre					