



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 2025 awards will be featured in special Peanut Efficiency issues of *Southeast Farm Press*, *Delta Farm Press*, and *Southwest Farm Press*.

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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 2025

Four regional winners are honored.

Winners are selected from these regions:

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

Presentation of awards will be at the Southern Peanut Growers Conference July 23-25 in Panama City Beach, Fla.

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 nomination 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. Farm Press Senior Content Director 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 30, 2025. Completed forms should be sent to:

**Dr. Marshall Lamb
USDA-ARS National
Peanut Laboratory
P. O. Box 509
Dawson GA 39842**

**(For questions and assistance,
contact (229) 995-7409 or
staci.ingram@usda.gov)**

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NOMINATION FORM

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Peanut Efficiency Award for 2025

Farmer Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

County _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

E-Mail _____

I certify that the information provided herein is accurate, and grant permission to verify this information with USDA/FSA:

Signed _____ Date _____

Total irrigated acres _____

Average irrigated yield per acre _____

Average irrigated SMKSS, OK, & LSK _____

Average irrigated rotation sequence _____

Expected irrigated selling price/ton _____

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 _____

For the following varieties of peanuts planted, list the acres of each:

Variety	Non-Irrigated Acres	Irrigated Acres
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Cover crop on non-irrigated peanuts: bushels/acre _____ Price/bushel _____

Cover crop on irrigated peanuts: bushels/acre _____ Price/bushel _____

Interest rate on operating capital _____

For the following production inputs, please provide both the average quantity and price for non-irrigated and irrigated peanuts.

Input	Units	Non-Irrigated		Irrigated	
		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				
<u>Insecticides</u>	Per Acre				

	Method	Non-Irrigated		Irrigated	
		Quantity	Price	Quantity	Price
<u>Fungicides</u>	Per Acre				
<u>Nematicides</u>	Per Acre				
<u>Other Pesticides</u>	Per Acre				
<u>Irrigation</u>	acre-inches				
<u>Cleaning</u>	\$/ton				
<u>Drying</u>	\$/ton				
<u>Crop insurance</u>	Per Acre				
<u>Custom work 1</u>	Per Acre				
<u>Custom work 2</u>	Per Acre				
<u>Custom work 3</u>	Per Acre				