

**SUMMARY STATEMENT**  
**RULES AND REGULATIONS ON PLANT DISEASES AND PESTS**  
“Production of Rice with Characteristics of Economic Impact”

The proposed rule will establish protocols and guidelines for receiving applications for production of rice having characteristics of economic impact in Arkansas. Specifications on the application process, fees to be charged, information to be supplied and the input required from the actions of a scientific review committee if one is established. Penalties for violations will be established and violations defined.

Information on requesting production permits and the appropriate forms will be prescribed as well as the fees for the permits will be established.

This rule is being developed to comply with Act 1238 enacted by the Arkansas legislature in 2005.