



California Rice Commission Applauds New Opportunities for Rice Exports to Japan

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — California, internationally recognized for its medium and short grain rice, is positioned to expand access to Japan under the trade agreement just announced by the Trump administration—the first such increase in market access since the Uruguay Round of the GATT.

Michael Rue, Farmer and Chair of the Commission's International Committee, commented:

"We appreciate our long-standing relationship with Japan and look forward to building on our three-decade relationship as a supplier of high-quality and safe rice."

California's rice fields not only support the state's agricultural economy but also play a critical role as a replacement habitat for wildlife, particularly important given the loss of over 90 percent of its historic wetlands.

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