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Louisiana Soybean and Grain Research and Promotion Board

The Louisiana Soybean and Grain Research and Promotion Board administers both the national soybean checkoff and Louisiana's wheat and feed grains checkoff. The Board tries to address the most challenging production and market-related issues faced by Louisiana's producers through the investment of your checkoff dollars.

Only through continued funding of research can we address the production problems faced in Louisiana. This report describes some of the activities funded by checkoff dollars. A lot of effort is focused on addressing diseases, insects and other agronomic issues that most adversely affect our yields. Specific projects are addressing diseases in soybeans such as Asian soybean rust and aflatoxin in corn, varietal breeding for wheat and soybeans and improving the agronomic practices we use in Louisiana.

While research funding is the major focus of the Board, market development activities with the United Soybean Board, National Corn Growers Association, U.S. Grains Council and the National Grain Sorghum Producers Association also are supported. Long-term investments in new uses are paying off as we see new products brought to market and the continued growth in renewable fuels such as soy-diesel and ethanol.

Your checkoff dollars make these efforts possible. On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank you for your support of this program.

Sincerely,

Byron F. Lemoine III, Chairman

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