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SUBJECT: Monthly Report for July, 1967

Delivery of fertilizer to all contract growers was completed, having some resistance with some C.M. growers of IR 8 that do not want to use recommended amount. Will continue to work on this problem.

All nine IR 8 and Samthong rice demonstrations were planted and five were transplanted. Other four will be transplanted early August.

One field trial area was transplanted and other will be transplanted next week.

Army worms hit hill rice in large areas around Samthong and Ban Houei Sai and small areas around Luang Prabang. Refugee Relief, Rural Development and other workers did excellent job in combating this. Also had some grasshopper damage which was sprayed.

We are furnishing corn and other seeds to plant where hill rice has been lost.

Dry weather during June and July also hurt hill rice in entire northern area being the worst around Ban Houei Sai. This, plus the worm damage, will cause a short crop. Good rains last week of July will help.

Paddy rice with irrigation was transplanted during July. Other paddy rice will now be transplanted. This may be a year when irrigation during rainy season will make a lot of difference.

Some preliminary plans being discussed with IG/ACR regarding second rice crop on irrigated land. Ban Houei Sai has area that needs checking for possible pump irrigation.

The fish hatchery at Luang Prabang is now in production. Fingerling fish are now available for purchase from 3 to 10 Kip each, depending on size.

The Provincial Livestock Chief is still handicapped because he does not have a Jeep. It was my understanding that he was to have received one from USAID.

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