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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Animal Science, May 1987

Emphasis: Reproductive Physiology; New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico

Bachelor of Science in Range Animal Science, December 1984

Minor: Business; Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas

Graduate of Goddard High School, Roswell, New Mexico, July 1979

EXPERIENCE

New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service – December 1987 - present

Chaves County Extension Office – September 2006 - present

County Program Director – March 2010 - present

- Responsible for supervision of up to seven staff members including extension agents, program assistants, and administrative assistants. Oversees office activities, programming efforts, and financial operations.

County Extension Agent/Agriculture – October 2007 - present

- Currently provides leadership and guidance to Extension educational programs in agriculture, natural resources and community development in Chaves County.
- Main areas of programming include Agronomic Crops, Profitable Livestock Production Practices, and Urban Horticulture with emphasis on adult programs.

County Extension Agent/4-H - September 2006 - October 2007

- Provided leadership to 4-H educational programs for youth in traditional, special interest, and school enrichment programs.
- Worked with volunteers in the 4-H organization including training, support, and recruitment of adult and youth volunteer leaders.

Colfax County Extension Office- December 1987 - September 2006

County Program Director – April 1994 - September 2006

- Duties included supervision of office staff of up to six individuals including administrative assistant, additional agents, program assistants, and interns. Oversaw office maintenance and financial operations.

County Extension Agriculture Agent - January 1995 - September 2006

- Provided leadership and guidance to Extension educational programs in agriculture, natural resources and community development in Colfax County.
- Main areas of programming include Agronomic Crops, Profitable Livestock Production Practices, and Urban Horticulture with emphasis on adult programs.

County Extension 4-H Agent - December 1987 - December 1996

- Duties included providing leadership to 4-H educational programs for youth

including traditional, special interest, and school enrichment programs in the agriculture, natural resource, and general areas.

ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP

National Association of County Agricultural Agents – 2001 to present

New Mexico Association of County Agricultural Agents – 2001 to present

New Mexico Association of County Agricultural Agents Foundation Board of Directors– 2004 to present

Epsilon Sigma Phi Honorary Fraternity – 2001 to present

New Mexico Wool Growers – 2001 to present

Silver Spur CowBelles – 2001 to 2008

New Mexico Cattle Growers Association – 2006 to present

Colfax County Farm and Livestock Bureau – 2006

Chaves County Farm and Livestock Bureau – 2007 - present

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

National Association of County Agricultural Agents Scholarship Committee
Western Region Vice Chairman - 2017

New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service County Extension Faculty
Promotion and Tenure Committee
Committee Chairperson – 2010 - present
Committee Member - 2004 - present

New Mexico State University College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences
Search Committee Member – Extension Weed Specialist position – 2014

New Mexico State University College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences
Search Committee Member – Extension Economic Development Coordinator position
2014

New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service Horse Program Advisory
Committee Member – 2010 - 2013

New Mexico State University College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences
Search Committee Member – Extension Agronomy Specialist position - 2009

New Mexico State University College of Agriculture and Home Economics Search Committee

Member – Extension Dairy Specialist position - 2008

New Mexico State University Artesia Agricultural Science Center Advisory Board Member –
2007 - present

New Mexico Association of County Agricultural Agents
State Scholarship Committee Chairman – 2006 - present

New Mexico State University College of Agriculture and Home Economics Search Committee
Member – Extension Livestock Specialist position for the Clayton Livestock Research
Center – 2004

New Mexico State University College of Agriculture and Home Economics Committee of Seven
Member - 2003 - 2004

New Mexico State University Search Committee Member– Associate Dean/Associate Director,
Cooperative Extension Service – 2002

National Association of County Agricultural Agents 2001 Convention
New Mexico Association of County Agricultural Agents Spouses' Committee
Co-Chairperson – 2001

ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND AWARDS

Distinguished Achievement Professor – New Mexico State University – July 2012

Epsilon Chapter, Epsilon Sigma Phi – Distinguished Service Award – January 2012

National Association of County Agricultural Agents Distinguished Service Award – July 2009

National Association of County Agricultural Agents – Communication Award - State Winner,
Personal Column - 2002

National Association of County Agricultural Agents – Communication Award - State Winner,
Publication - 2001

Academic Promotion to Professor – New Mexico State University - July 2001