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CAREER SUMMARY

Have worked extensively as an Agent/Educator, within the NMSU Cooperative Extension Service, to plan, coordinate and deliver educational programming to County clientele. Major program emphasis: Adult and Youth Agriculture; 4H Youth Development; also, Family and Consumer Sciences; Community and Economic Development.

EDUCATION

College M.A., Agriculture & Extension Education; NMSU, Las Cruces, NM—Dec. 2003
B.S., Animal Science, NMSU; Las Cruces, NM—May 1986
High School Graduate, Los Lunas High School, Los Lunas, NM—May 1982

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE/EMPLOYMENT

NMSU County Extension Program Director/Agriculture Agent

- **Guadalupe County** (November 2010-current) Responsible for directing all NMSU CES programming, including Adult Agriculture; 4H Youth Development; Family and Consumer Sciences; Community/Economic Development.
- **De Baca County** (March 2006-November 2010) Responsible for directing all NMSU CES programming, including Adult Agriculture; 4H Youth Development; Family and Consumer Sciences; Community/Economic Development.

Program Specialist/Nutrition Education

Guadalupe County Cooperative Extension Service 1990- 2006

- Program Specialist—currently develop and implement youth development and adult Education program in areas of agriculture, leadership, community development, home Economics and 4-H.
- Nutrition Educator—Develop and implement nutrition and health programs for youth and adults in the community and school settings.

Grants Coordinator/Educator

Guadalupe County Maternal and Child Health Program—1992-2003

Developed a County Maternal and Child Health Plan for identifying health needs in families and individuals throughout the County. Develop the Plan, write the grant, work with the County Administration Office to administer the grant, supervise and oversee grant employees such as counselor and health educator as well as provide community education.

County 4-H/Youth Development Agent

Valencia County Cooperative Extension Service—1986-1989

Maintained and coordinated activities with youth and volunteer leaders in all aspects of the 4-H and youth development programs; Aug. 1989—Dec. 1989, served as Acting County Director which included administrative office duties and staff supervision

Lab and Research Assistant

Animal Science Department, New Mexico State University—1982-1986

WORK RELATED SKILLS

Computer literate—work with computer programs such as Windows and Word on a daily basis, efficient at graphics and newsletter layouts; Communication Skills; Grant Writing Skills

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS/ASSOCIATIONS

National Association of County Agriculture Agents (NACAA); NM Association of County Agriculture Agents (NMACAA); NM 4H Agents Association; NM Cattlegrowers; Epsilon Sigma Phi; Guadalupe County Fair board, ex-officio; Santa Rosa FFA, Honorary Member; Vaughn FFA, Honorary Member; Guadalupe County Soil and Water Conservation District, ex-officio; Guadalupe County DWI Task Force