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EDUCATION

Master of Education - Education Administration Tarleton State University - May 1982 Bachelor of Science - Agriculture Education Tarleton State University - May 1980

EMPLOYMENT

2007-Present Team Leader/Chief of Party - Iraq Agricultural Extension

Revitalization Project - Amman, Jordan

Plan and implement an Extension training program in agriculture for Iraqi Extension/University professionals utilizing specialists from seven land grant universities in the United States. Training coordinated and implemented in Amman, Jordan with satellite training conducted at ICARDA, University of Alexandria, and the American

Universities Cairo Desert Research Center.

1990 - 2007 <u>County Extension Agent - Agriculture/Natural Resources, Comanche</u>

County, Level IV (highest)

Plan and coordinate county and area-wide agricultural education, research and demonstrations in the major commodities of dairy, peanuts, pecans, melons, horticulture, meat goats, silage, forage,

wildlife and beef cattle.

1989 - 1990 County Extension Agent - Agriculture, Tarrant County

Plan and coordinate urban educational programs in the areas of water conservation and waste management. Primary emphasis, development of the "Don't Bag It" Lawn Care Plan and "Water Smart" Water

Conservation plans for urban homeowners.

1982 - 1989 County Extension Agent - Agriculture, Parker County

Develop and coordinate a volunteer led youth program for county

youth.

INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE CONSULTING

2004 - Present Currently working with Dr. Harold Watson, developer of Sloping

Agriculture Land Technology (SALT), as an international agriculture consultant to the poor. Emphasis in developing agriculture training centers and extension outreach to tribal people in three locations of southwest China, one tribal group near Copan Ruinas, Honduras, and

one near El Paraiso, Guatemala. Agriculture projects in soil conservation using legumes, field crops, agroforestry, fisheries, dairy goat, swine, fruit crops, beef and beekeeping have all been developed. Training provided for several international groups including World Vision, Heifer International, and many in-country national groups.

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- < Named TAMU Board of Regents, Regents Fellow 2007
- < TAMU Vice Chancellor=s Award in Excellence 2007
- Texas Cooperative Extension Superior Service Team Award 2003
- Specialists = Association Distinguished Service Agriculture Award 1999
- < TCAAA State Result Demonstration Award 1997, 1995
- Comanche Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year Award 1997
- Comanche Farm Bureau Distinguished Service Award 1997
- < TAEX Extension Superior Service Award 1996
- < USDA Superior Service Award 1991
- < Epsilon Sigma Phi State Team Award 1991
- < EPA Environmental Excellence Award 1990
- < LESCO Turfgrass Award 1990
- < NACAA Search for Excellence Award 1990
- National AKeep America Beautiful@ Award for ADon=t Bag It@ Program 1989
- < TCAAA New Agent Award 1985

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- < Nutrient Management Specialist TCEQ and TCE
- < NRCS Certified Nutrient Management Planner National
- < IS-00700 National Incident Management Certified
- < Texas Animal Nutrition Council
- Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Extension Member
- < ArcGis Land Information Systems 2004
- < Certified Food Crop Safety Specialist 2004, 2002
- Institute of Renewable Natural Resources Leadership Course 2002-03
- < ASA Certified Crop Advisor
- < Artificial Insemination/Palpation Certified Technician
- < American Peanut Research and Education Society
- < American Dairy Science Association
- < National Mastitis Council
- National Association County Agricultural Agents Member 1983-2007
- Texas County Agricultural Agents Association 1983-2007
- < Texas County Agricultural Agents Association Treasurer 1989-90
- < Alpha Zeta, Alpha Chi Honor Fraternities

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST