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Statement of Qualifications

## Education:

I have a Bachelor of Science (Biology) degree and a Master of Science (Aquatic Biology) degree from Bucknell University.

## Experience:

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources as an Aquatic Biologist/Water Pollution Biologist from 1973-1979.

1979-1982, Biologist with U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's Office of Endangered Species in Washington, DC;

1982-1991, Fishery Biologist with the Bureau of Reclamation in Carson City, NV;

1991, Fish & Wildlife Biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Reno, Nevada;

1991 to Present, Fish & Wildlife Biologist with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) in Carson City, NV.

I have been employed as a professional Biologist for 37 consecutive years. The focus of my work during my 28 years in western Nevada has been water and biological resources of the Truckee, Carson, and Walker River basins, and I have, in part: assisted in development, environmental analysis, and rulemaking of 1988 and 1997 Operating Criteria and Procedures for the Newlands Project (OCAP); assisted in negotiation, development, and environmental analysis of the Truckee River Water Quality Settlement Agreement; served as Cui-ui Recovery Team leader; served as a member of the Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Recovery Implementation Team; served as Federal Team leader for Walker River basin negotiation; and been involved in development of the Truckee River Operating Agreement and many other provisions of Public Law 101-618 since its enactment. Specific to TROA, I was BIA's technical representative on the Federal team negotiating TROA and Federal Team Leader for preparation of the TROA Environmental Impact Statement / Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) and Record of Decision.