

Statement of Qualifications

For Chris Flores

Education: Bachelor of Arts Degree in Environmental Studies with an emphasis in Natural Resource Management from the University of California, Santa Barbara

Experience:

January 2017 – Present

Sacramento County Chief Deputy Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer – Department Chief Deputy and assistant to the Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer. Provide oversight for the regulatory programs related to agriculture and weights and measures in Sacramento County. Relevant programs include pesticide use enforcement, phytosanitary certification, pest detection and exclusion of exotic invasive species harmful to agriculture, direct marketing of agricultural commodities, testing and sealing of commercial weighing and measuring devices and various other agricultural programs. Provide primary staff support to the Agricultural Advisory Committee and support to the Office of Planning and Environmental Review regarding projects affecting agricultural land.

December 2014 – December 2016

Nevada County Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer – Department Director with the responsibility for the regulatory programs listed above. Provided primary staff support to the Nevada County Agricultural Advisory Commission (AAC) and to the Nevada County Fish and Wildlife Commission. Worked with the Planning Department to update the Zoning Code in regards to agricultural land uses. Worked with the AAC to update the Nevada County definition of “Farmlands of Local Importance” and after Board approval was submitted to the California Department of Conservation. I worked closely with agricultural producers and agricultural industry groups to promote and protect agricultural lands and agricultural production in the County.

February 2006 – December 2014

El Dorado County Senior Agricultural Biologist – As an Agricultural Biologist and Standards Inspector, I worked in all of the agricultural regulatory programs and weights and measures programs. I also provided staff support to the El Dorado County Agricultural Commission, and worked with the Long Range Planning group on updating El Dorado County’s Zoning Code and General Plan in regards to agricultural land uses. Worked with agricultural industry representatives and others, to reach mutual consensus on issues affecting agriculture in the county.