

Matthew Roberts – Statement of Qualifications

Education:

Degree of Bachelor of Arts with a major in Business Economics,
Minor in Psychology,
Dean's List Scholar.
University of California at Santa Barbara (1976-1980)

Successful completion of Subtropical Agricultural Program
University of California at Riverside (1981)

Successful completion of Boating Safety and Law Enforcement Program
Sacramento City College (1990)

Work Experience:

Business Manager, Roberts Ranch 1980- Present

Duties include all responsibilities related to the agricultural production of 80 acres of fruit orchards and related property management. This includes worker training, supervision, product marketing, harvest management, accounting and rental property management, Spanish language proficiency.

Parks and Recreation Director, City of Carpinteria 1995-Present

Duties include the planning, design and construction of parks and recreation facilities, planning and implementation of recreation programming and ocean beach and public pool management. The City of Carpinteria Parks and Recreation Department has 72 full time and seasonal part time employees.

Carpinteria Valley Water District, Member of the Board. 1993- present

Elected Position every four years.

The Water District provides municipal and agricultural water to over 4,100 customers of record and a population of 18,200. Directors are responsible to set policies and provide staff direction to best meet the water quality and water demand requirements of the community in conformance with local, state and federal laws.

California Avocado Commissioner, 1989-1997

Elected position every two years.

The Avocado Commission is a market order promotion and research organization. The Board of Commissioners makes decisions on promotional efforts and research grants with an annual budget of approximately ten million dollars. Served as Chairman of the Marketing Committee 1996-1997.

Farm Bureau Board of Director, Santa Barbara County, California 1989-1993

Elected Position every two years

The California Farm Bureau is California's largest farm organization with more than 95,000 member families in 53 county Farm Bureaus. It is a, nonpartisan organization of farm and ranch families working to preserve the viability of agriculture in California.