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Objectives

Assist getting work objectives and activities done in a timely manner, cooperate and collaborate with co-workers. There is always a solution.

Education

High School Diploma- May 1984
AAS Degree Haskell Indian Junior College May 1986

Representative for the Tribe on the United States Board of Water Commissioners

Experience

Irrigation System Operator May 1988 through August 1993)
Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Nevada Agency Carson City Nevada

Operated and maintained Walker River Indian Irrigation Project on the Walker River Reservation Schurz Nevada. Duties included monitoring and deliver water to irrigated acreages, maintaining and regulating Weber Reservoir Levels. Also worked with individual water users to develop schedules based on the amount of water available, communicated with Federal Water Master on general water conditions within the Walker River Basin.

Water Quality Technician November 1995 through January 2007
Walker River Paiute Tribe, Schurz Nevada

Oversaw and developed Tribal Water Quality Program, developed sampling protocol, and Program Authorization so the Tribe could continue to build the program and develop Water Quality Standards for the waters within its jurisdiction.

In this capacity garnered funding from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act to develop and create the Non-Point Source program. This program is to deal with contamination sources in the river system.

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**Land Irrigation Coordinator January 2007 through June 2012
Walker River Paiute Tribe, Schurz Nevada**

Developed Following program for the Walker River Paiute Tribe to assist in the restoration of Walker Lake. Program consisted of developing a mechanism to lease land from local irrigators so the Tribe could temporarily transfer water for instream flows and the water would ultimately end up in Walker Lake. Duties included working with State of Nevada, State Water Engineer to gain a temporary change in place and manner of use permit for the Tribes Water right to remain intream for wildlife purposes. Also worked with the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the land lease process and to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act.

In addition dealt with numerous landowners in the lease process, this included trust land and fee patent land. Developed a payment and lease method for fee patent owners as this designation is different than trust land.

**Land Irrigation/Water Rights July 2012 through 2020-2021
Walker River Paiute Tribe, Schurz, Nevada**

Lead staff person in the negotiation/settlement process for the Tribe. A number of entities within the Walker River Basin had an interest in settling the pending claims of the Tribe and United states and a process was started to work towards a comprehensive agreement that would be beneficial to all parties and would satisfactorily settle the Tribal claims. Entities included the States of Nevada and California, Mineral, Lyon and Mono counties.

Act as the lead and contact person for the Walker River Paiute Tribe in it water rights litigation case. Also served as the Tribal representative in all meetings, settlement discussion and interagency cooperative efforts with the Walker River Basin.

Liason with federal and state agencies, point of contact for Tribal Attorneys and Professional contractors on both issues and administrative issues concerning their professional contracts.

When necessary act as superintendent for local construction projects (water related) on the Walker River Indian Reservation.

Worked on land related issues, including assisting land owners in processing paperwork, locating allotments and general assistance.

Also worked on general issues with regards to Tribal land assignments and leases/easements that the Tribe is involved.

Skills

- ▶ Computer Skills- Basic Word programs
- ▶ Funding and Budget understanding

- ▶ **Communication skills verbal and written**
- ▶ **Public presentation on water related issues**
- ▶ **Understanding of the Walker River Basin irrigation system**
- ▶ **General office machine**