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### **Education**

1997 Ph.D. Efficiency of Turfgrass Irrigation Systems, Hohenheim University, Stuttgart, Germany

1990 M.S. Recovery of Turfgrasses after Drought, Hohenheim University, Stuttgart, Germany

### **Professional Experience**

1997 – 2000 Research Associate, Department of Crop and Soil Sciences, Michigan State University

2000 to present Assistant Professor and Associate Professor, Extension Turfgrass Specialist, Extension Plant Sciences Department, New Mexico State University

### **Primary Research Interests**

Screening for low water use, cold and salt tolerant turf species and cultivars; Efficient use of irrigation water on turf (such as alternative irrigation systems, irrigation scheduling through soil moisture measurement, and modification of turfgrass root zones); Irrigation with effluent and/or high saline water; Mitigation of water repellency in root zones

### **Professional Activities and Honors (last 6 years)**

2005 Distinguished Service Award. New Mexico State University – College of Agriculture and Home Economics

2005 Team Award. New Mexico State University – College of Agriculture and Home Economics

2003 – present Crop Science Society of America C5 Extension Education Committee

2004 – present Associate Editor for Applied Turfgrass Science

2004 – present National Turfgrass Evaluation Program Policy Committee

2006 – present Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Water Advisory Panel

2004 – 2006 Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Water Use Task Force

