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Yolo County Appoints New Agricultural Commissioner

(Woodland, CA) – On December 15 the Yolo County Board of Supervisors appointed Humberto Izquierdo to the position of Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measure and he will assume his new responsibilities effective January 19, 2020. This position was originally held for 11 years by John Young until his retirement in September 2020. Chief Deputy Agricultural Commissioner Dave Guerrero has served as the interim agricultural commissioner.

Mr. Izquierdo is a Yolo County resident and has most recently served as the Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office since 2018. Mr. Izquiergo has more than 10 years of experience working in the Department of Agriculture for Napa and Alameda counties in various positions, including Deputy Agricultural Commissioner, Assistant Agricultural Commissioner, Agricultural Commissioner and Sealer of Weights & Measures.

Mr. Izquierdo is a Yolo County resident and has served as the Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office since 2018 and for the Alameda County Department of Agriculture before that starting in 2016. Prior to his time with Alameda County, Mr. Izquierdo worked at the Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office in the deputy and then assistant Agricultural Commissioner role between 2010 and 2016. He graduated from the University of California, Davis with a Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences and received a Masters of Science in Management from Argosy University in Alameda. Mr. Izquierdo also serves as chair to the Coast Commissioner's Group and is a member of the California Agricultural Commissioners & Sealers Association.

"I am excited to serve in the community where I live and look forward to working with the growers, farmworkers, and the citizenry at large of Yolo County. I would like to thank the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator Blacklock for the opportunity to work in a county with such rich and diverse agricultural production" said Humberto Izquierdo.

The Agricultural Commissioner is responsible for the administration of the County Department of Agriculture which works with the public, business community and agricultural industries to promote agriculture, regulate pesticide safety and compliance, prevent the spread of agricultural pests and ensure equity in the marketplace through regular inspections and measuring of commodities.

"We are quite pleased to find an individual of Mr. Izquierdo's experience and education to serve in the pivotal role of Agricultural Commissioner," said Yolo County Board Chair Gary Sandy. "With all of the challenges facing agriculture we needed someone of Mr. Izquierdo's breadth of experience and familiarity with the broad diversity of farming operations that characterize Yolo County. He will be a tremendous addition to our team."

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