

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Robert M. Hagan Endowed Specialist in Cooperative Extension in Water Management and Policy

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This is one of two endowed positions that will support extension research and education in water and watershed management. These positions will further strengthen the internationally recognized extension and research activities in water management and policy on campus, and enhance interdisciplinary cooperation across departments. The incumbents will be devoted to water-related extension activities in California, including the following: (1) develop and apply new methods and approaches to the resolution of water problems through innovative combinations of science, policy and management; (2) respond to inquiries from concerned persons and organizations such as water districts, elected officials, state and federal agencies, farmers, business groups, conservation groups, teachers, tribal groups, watershed groups, other non-governmental organizations, and private individuals; 3) facilitate access to information and to experts; and 4) bring information needs to the attention of appropriate people in order to expand or modify research activities (e.g., university faculty, farm advisors).

The **Hagan Endowed Specialist in Cooperative Extension position** will be a member of the Department of Land, Air and Water Resources and will provide leadership for a broad-based approach to addressing a wide variety of water management and policy issues. The position will serve at the interface of water science, management, and policy in order to focus water research on the Davis campus toward finding solutions to California's water problems. The position holder will be expected to conduct significant policy-oriented outreach with the expectation that he/she will serve in part as a public interface between water policy and university research programs. The initial term for the Hagan position will be three years. We anticipate that new FTE may be available after this initial term and will seek to recruit externally then. However, if no new position is created, the position holder may be reappointed for another 3-year term. The incumbent is expected to provide an annual report to the Dean of activities related to the position, coordinate a campus seminar series or workshop in year two, and present a seminar to the campus community at the end of the appointment.