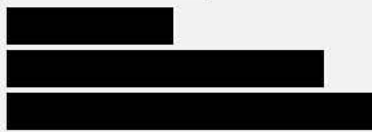


LORENA BASTE STOLLER

AGRONOMIST | HORTICULTURE SPECIALIST

CONTACT



SKILLS

Farming Expertise
Content creation
Budget Analysis
Communication
Creativity
Strategic thinking

EDUCATION

**Agricultural Engineering,
Horticulture Specialist**
Pontificia Universidad
Católica de Valparaíso,
Chile
1992 – 1998

Languages:

English, Spanish

Licensing:

PCA #136347 (2015)
QAP (2019)

PROFILE

With over 15 years of direct experience in diversified farming and 11 years of intensive agronomic research at UCR, I bring a comprehensive understanding of crop management, soil health, irrigation systems, and sustainable farming practices. My expertise covers both commercial-scale farming and advanced scientific research, specializing in the cultivation of avocado, citrus, dates, and grapes (table and wine varieties). My career has built by driving corporate activity through addressing key challenges in labor management, pest control, disease management, and resource conservation, while continuously improving processes to enhance efficiency and reduce labor costs.

EXPERIENCE

Gless Ranch | Nursery Director
Sept 2022–Present.

Managing production, ensuring efficient daily operations such as crew organization, quality control, and production standards.

Overseeing all cultural practices, including sowing, planting, pest control, irrigation, pest control and fertilization to meet production demands.

Implementing and enforcing safety protocols in the workplace.

Planning and supervising the growth cycle of citrus trees, ensuring high-quality production.

Developing and initiating process improvements for tree growth, sales, marketing, quality, and cost-efficiency.

Leading projects to expand production lines, such as starting an avocado nursery.

Sunridge Nurseries | Director of Viticulture and Field Operations

2018–August 2022

Managed 1,200 acres of grapes, overseeing soil fertility, pest and disease control, irrigation, and crop performance.

Developed annual budgets and cost estimates for quarterly reviews, while reviewing KPIs and managing capital projects.

Coordinated contract labor, supervised safety measures, and handled pesticide recommendations.

Ensured compliance with rootstock and scion certification standards. Managed testing procedures for vine cleanliness and conducted field trials for continuous improvement.

Prepared 180+ acres of dormant fields vineyards for scion material, including fumigation, pest control, and harvest preparation.

Accomplishments

I developed and implemented a comprehensive Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan for fields and nurseries, successfully controlling vine mealybug, and pioneered the first-ever fumigation using phosphine gas in propagation material, significantly enhancing pest control efficiency. Additionally, I achieved high success rates in rootstock and scion grafting, while developing a new nursery product for vines and launching certified and non-certified cherry tree programs, greatly improving product quality and customer satisfaction.

Wonderful Citrus | Nursery Manager

Jan 2015- 2018

Production management of 3 citrus nurseries Visalia, Porterville and Texas.

Plan daily activities for production demands (prioritize, organize crews, define areas of improvement, quality control, collecting data, ensure personnel meet standards of production align with skill tracker program.

Manage cultural practices: Plan and supervise sowing, planting liners and budding according to demands and timing.

Accomplishment

I successfully managed the cultivation and growth of 1.1 million citrus trees in a single season, optimizing resources and operations to achieve high productivity and crop quality.

UC Riverside | Agronomist Researcher

2003- 2014

I conducted extensive research on Brassicas, date palms, grapes, avocados, and strawberries, focusing on improving crop yields, pest and disease resistance, and optimizing cultivation practices for enhanced productivity and sustainability.



CDFA NURSERY ADVISORY BOARD
PROSPECTIVE VOTING MEMBER APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE
Email resume and questionnaire to: nurseryservices@cdfa.ca.gov

APPLICANT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: Lorena Baste Stoller Date: 12/05/24
Mailing Address: [REDACTED]
Telephone Number: [REDACTED]

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION

Name of Company (include Nursery License #): B2356.001
Location (City and County): Thermal, Riverside
How long have you participated in this industry? 20 years

List names and dates of industry, trade, associations, and/or programs you are/and/or have been associated with:

UC Riverside - Agronomist Researcher 11 years Sunridge Nurseries 5 years.
Wonderful Citrus Nurseries 4 years Boards: Cuyama Basin GSA/CGRC 2 years

Please state the reason(s) you would like to serve on this Board (indicate any areas of individual specialty and/or experience):

My goal is to support the board's mission and industry objectives by sharing strategies that enhance productivity, sustainability and safety within the nursery sector. By focusing on proactive measurement and operational practices.
I am passionate about leveraging my knowledge to drive positive outcomes and support the continued growth and stability of the industry.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

What type of business are you involved with (check all that apply):

☐ Retailer ☐ Landscaper ☒ Producer

List the kinds of nursery stock that you have financial interest in (check all that apply):

☐ General Ornamentals ☐ Annuals/Perennials ☐ Indoor Foliage Plants
☐ Cut Flowers (production & wholesale) ☐ Retailers (large & small business) ☐ Turf/Sod
☒ Sub-Tropical (e.g. citrus, avocado) ☐ Strawberry ☐ IAB Assessed Nursery Stock (grapevine, fruit & nut trees, olives)
☐ Landscapers (must be licensed to sell nursery stock) ☐ Other (list kinds): _____

Approximate acreage or number of units within California (circle one): 5 Acres- 250,000 Citrus Trees/70,000 Avocados

Lorena Stoller

Signature

Digitally signed by Lorena Stoller
Date: 2024.12.05 11:21:27 -08'00'

12/05/24

Date