



Our staff conduct extension education, applied research, and public service programs that MATTER to Lassen County.

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(August-November) to re-search virtual fencing technology. He will be working in collaboration with local ranchers and the Bureau of Land Management. For more information check out our website [Virtual Fencing - Buffalo Skeddle Working Group \(ucanr.edu\)](http://ucanr.edu)



forage variety trials, fertilizer evaluations, pests and noxious weed control. Highlights of his current weed control research include work on, perennial pepperweed, kochia, puncturevine, and common crupina. He is always available to visit with local growers, diagnosing issues in their fields, and talking management!

Our County Director/Livestock Advisor **David Lile** provides oversight to all our programs. He conducts a wide range of programs related to livestock, rangeland and pasture production.

Lile is one of seven academics to receive the 2024 Distinguished Service Awards as an Outstanding leader and visionary.

This year he has taken a three month sabbatical



Tom Getts – Is the Weed and Cropping Systems Advisor for Lassen, Modoc, Sierra And Plumas counties His research and extension programs focus on pest management, and the irrigated forage production systems of the intermountain region. Recently his research has been focused on





Janyne Little is our Buffalo Skeddadle Sage-grouse Working Group Project Coordinator. Her projects include juniper removal, riparian restoration, sagebrush and bitterbrush plantings, seedings, annual grass control, virtual fencing and collaborating with many partners. You can visit the webpage for a deeper dive into any of these topics here: [Buffalo Skeddadle Working Group \(ucanr.edu\)](http://ucanr.edu)



Darcy Hanson has retired after 24 years of dedicated service as Lassen County's 4-H Community Education Specialist (CES). Darcy played a crucial role in promoting and enabling the growth of Lassen County's 4-H program.

Sandy Fortin, our new Lassen County 4-H CES, is continuing to expand our growth by working with new volunteer leaders for countywide projects including quilting, fly-fishing, small engines, horses and dairy cattle.



Our 4-H Ambassadors are working as liasons between the public and the eight community clubs which encompassed **220 members** in **2023-24**. Countywide Events include Open House, Favorite Foods Day, Home Arts Extravaganza, Presentation Day, Horticulture Day, Large and Small Animal Skills Day, and the Dog Show. You can learn more about these activities by viewing our monthly newsletter here: [4-H Round-Up Newsletter - UCCE Lassen County \(ucanr.edu\)](http://ucanr.edu)

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Simarjeet Singh advises for our Irrigated Grass Systems and Forage Crop Production, based in Modoc. **Uvea Grace** joins **Laurie Wayne** (Nutrition/Food Systems, in Modoc), as our first Certified Intermountain Master Food Preserver, June 2024. She is excited to extend UC research-based information about home food safety and preservation to the community.



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