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production

Pistachio producer in Delano, Richgrove, and Ducor area
For the past 20 years.

In the past 37 years, I have been involved in agricultural
research as research coordinator, and
product/development manager in major seed companies in
the United states and Europe. I have been on the board of
directors of “ Beetsugar Development Foundation for 20 years, this organization
Influenced and directed Sugarbeet research in the United States.

20 years ago, I started a first 53 acres Pistachio farm with my pioneer partners in growing
pistachio in Delano area, and today I own around 1500 acres and manage a total of 2000 acres.

In 2016, I produced 6300 lb/acre in a 320 acres farm and 5250 lb/acre in another farm of 150
acres.

As a farmer, I am very concern about being dependent on a limited varieties like Kerman and
Golden Hills with probably similar genetic. as Kerman, where many other varieties are available
worldwide, More efforts is needed to obtain other genetics materials to be used in an unforeseen
natural disaster.

Our industry also needs in-depth research in the area of required chilling hours and its effect on
pollination and fruit formation,.

Draught resistant cultivars and better use of chemicals and pesticides need to be searched and
new technology need to be developed for efficient use of irrigation and all inputs.

Although nutritional research and marketing are absolutely necessary to explore new market for
our increasing product, However more emphasis needs to be give to production research to
increase yield with most efficient use of inputs.

I humbly offer my educational and experience background to possibly make a dent in badly
needed research in production to increase production/acre, insure continues future production
with minimal inputs, especially use of less water and to increase famers profitability.

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