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Thomas G. Bahr is director of the New Mexico Water Resources Research Institute at NMSU. Before coming to New Mexico he was the director of the Institute of Water Research at Michigan State University. He has held some 17 regional, national and international appointments including the U.S coordinator for the U.S./Mexico Inter-American Conference on Salinity and Water Management. He holds degrees from Michigan State University and the University of Idaho.

Ralph Finkner is superintendent of the Plains Branch Agricultural Experiment Station and professor of agronomy at NMSU. He served as a consulting agronomist to the U.S. AID in Paraguay, Turkey and Egypt. For 13 years he held research positions with the American Crystal Sugar Co. including director of agricultural research. He is a member of several professional organizations including the American Society of Agronomy and the Crop Science Society of America. He holds degrees from Iowa State University and Colorado State University.

Gerald W. Thomas is president of New Mexico State University. He is a nationally recognized authority in agriculture, ecology and resource management. He has served as a consultant to the U.S. Department of Agriculture and has held assignments in Greece, Italy, Africa and South America. He recently returned from China where he headed a delegation that studied agricultural production and human nutrition in that country. He is the author of the book, "Progress and Change in the Agricultural Industry" and co-author of, "Food and Fiber for a Changing World." He was named Man of the Year in Service to Agriculture in 1981. He holds degrees from Texas A&M University and the University of Idaho.

Harvey O. Banks is president of the Water Research Division, Camp Dresser and McKee. His 47 years' experience in planning and resource

management includes positions as the California State Engineer and 10 years as Director of California Water Resources. He is an honorary member of the American Society of Engineers and a member of the National Academy of Engineering. He has a B.S.C.E. from Syracuse University and a master's degree from Stanford University.

Edwin D. Gutentag is a hydrologist with the Water Resources Division of the U.S. Geological Survey. In 1960 he began conducting studies on the Ogallala and associated aquifers in Kansas where irrigation was being started. He was author or co-author of 24 reports during the 18-year assignment. In 1978 he transferred to Colorado to study the geohydrology of the High Plains aquifer for the High Plains Regional Aquifer-Systems Analysis. He has a master's and a bachelor's degree in geology.

Sherman E. Galloway is the water resources engineering specialist for the New Mexico State Engineer Office. With more than 30 years' experience in water resources, he has investigated areas such as the source, occurrence and quantities of ground water available for development statewide. He is a registered professional engineer and is a member of the Association of Engineering Geologists and Sigma Gamma Epsilon. He holds degrees from the University of New Mexico.

Robert R. Lansford is professor of agricultural economics and agricultural business at NMSU. He was project coordinator for the New Mexico state-level research on the High Plains Ogallala Aquifer Study. He is a delegate to the Universities Council on Water Resources, an alternate to the High Plains Study Council and a member of the Great Plains Natural Resource Economics Committee and the Great Plains Council on Energy Committee. He holds degrees from the University of Minnesota and from NMSU.