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**Career Summary:**

Result-oriented and experienced farm manager with a strong background in livestock maintenance and solid grasp of farming techniques. Ability to manage and streamline various farming operations which assists to supervise team and adhere to government regulations.

**Summary of Skills:**

* Comprehensive knowledge about various farming procedures and operating agricultural equipment
* In-depth information about the best quality seeds, fertilizers, and pesticides
* Ability to provide excellent livestock care and maintain a report on their health conditions
* Experience in cross-breeding of livestock, horticultural techniques, and handling sales of diary and poultry farm products
* Capable of interpreting excel spreadsheets, performing financial analysis and drafting reports on the production
* Deep knowledge of managing farm finances and operations
* Excellent communicator and a team player
* Ability to understand problems and formulate appropriate solutions

**Work Experience:**

Senior Farm Manager

Caldwell Orchards and Farms, Tampa, Florida

October 2016 – Present

* Initiating most effective farming practices and increasing production by 40%
* Maintaining health and vaccination records for livestock
* Designing attractive advertisement campaigns for the fruits and flowers produced in the orchard
* Arranging regular inspections for farming equipment, checking temperature of greenhouse, and managing payroll
* Providing valid documentation for FDA inspections
* Continuously researching the latest trends and farming techniques to optimize production

Senior Farm Manager

West Coast Farms & Agriculture Products, Tampa, Florida

April 2014 – September 2016

* Managed crop production in a 5000 hectare farm by using the latest precision farming concepts like satellite imagery, GPS to track the progress of crops
* Collaborated with various farming communities and small business owners to develop partnerships for products created from poultry and dairy farms
* Arranged for transport to transfer crops from field to factory basements before sending the stock for further refinement
* Trained a group of 50 individuals to carry out cultivation of greenhouse plantations and horticultural techniques
* Conducted seminars for farmers within the area to give advice on health maintenance of livestock, cultivating techniques and financial planning
* Planned, scheduled and monitored activities related to organic farming

Assistant Farm Manager

Rodgers Farming, Tampa, Florida

August 2012 – March 2014

* Participated in the necessary farming chores such as feeding livestock, transporting milk for pasteurizing, harvesting crops, grooming cattle and maintaining their stalls as per need
* Researched and collected information about the various grants or loans provided by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
* Improved livestock health, in particular for calf by teaching the farmers alternate methods to nurture by providing appropriate sanitation, ventilation and veterinary care
* Trained new individuals for different activities – planting seeds, cultivating crops, spraying pesticides and nourishing soil with fertilizers
* Hired over 100 + seasonal employees as per the crops in the field using newspaper/ radio ads and assigned them daily duties

Farming Apprentice

Rodgers Farming, Tampa, Florida

February 2011 – July 2012

* Coordinated with farming staff to organize various tasks as per the schedule
* Learned practical implementation of farming techniques studied in graduation
* Assisted farmers in selecting the best quality seeds and transported the material on respective farms
* Executed and maintained a schedule of various activities by using the latest equipment and reduced overall crop production by 15%

**Education:**

* Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture Science
University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
2010

**Certification:**

* American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers (ASFMRA) , 2015

**Affiliations:**

* National Group of Agricultural Managers – Member since 2014
Assistant Secretary in Agricultural Professionals of Florida – Member since 2011

**Reference:**

On request.