

NEVADA EXPERIENCE

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BACKGROUND

1. Nevada was severely impacted by the Great Recession
2. Department of Resource Economics closed and layoffs at extension
3. Nevada had an 8 to 1 match to federal funds reduced to 4 to 1
4. Extension was a separate college

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1. Funding of Extension in Nevada is one mill on property tax
2. Reduced State funding
3. State grew by 257% from 1980 to 2015
4. Clark County grew by 351% from 1980 to 2015
5. Example of property values. Humboldt County grew at 400% while Clark by 1600% from 1980 to 2015.
6. UNLV came into existence in 1966

AB 407

1. First was to have a Northern and Southern Extension. Unique ideas as what is extension by UNLV.
2. Make UNR, UNLV, and DRI land grants
3. Passed by legislature. Split Clark County representatives voted yes and rest of Nevada voted no
4. Governor vetoed
5. Nevada ranks 3rd last in number of farms and percentage of population that is rural.
6. Based on formula Southern Nevada would get 15%. Also unaware of Hatch Act, but Clark County had cash reserves of \$10.0 million.

FUTURE

1. Will come up again with new legislature and governor
2. Clark County movement
3. Will Farm Bill state one land grant per state
4. Are other states threatened ?