

**AAEA Extension Section 2009 Election
Candidate Information**

Trent Teegerstrom

Associate Specialist, University of Arizona

1. *Your education (degrees & institutions):*

B.S. University of Wyoming, 1987

M.S. West Virginia University, 1993

2. *Past employment/activities/awards/duties/accomplishments/points of interest/etc (please limit to 75 words or less):*

Previous employment:

University of Arizona, Research Specialist

Cornell University, Farm Management Specialist

Awards and Accomplishments:

The Henry and Phyllis Koffler Prize for work in public service and outreach, 2009

University of Arizona, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, Appointed Personnel of the Year Award for Excellence, 2002

Outstanding Extension Project Group Award, member of Ag Help Wanted: Guidelines for Managing Agricultural Labor Team, Western Agricultural Extension Association, 2002.

Other duties:

AAEA Extension Section

Western Director (2006-2008)

Membership Committee (1998-99)

Western Farm Management Extension Committee

Chair (2001-02)

Vice-Chair (2000-01)

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Chair (2004-2006)

Western Center for Risk Management Education

Board Member (2001- 2007)

3. *Your 150 word (or less) response to the question: What are important issues the Extension Section should address in the next several years?*

AAEA Extension Section continues to be a valuable resource for extension economist across the nation serving not only as a vital link to AAEA but also as a catalyst to regional project development, timely information dissemination and economic decision tool development. Yet, due to shrinking number of personnel working in agricultural economics extension program areas coupled with an increasingly demanding and complex clientele, The Extension Section needs to enhance it's role in facilitating and fostering regional coordination among research and extension programming across the U.S. By assisting in the creation and support of enhanced regional research and extension projects, I feel the section can provide a foundation to its members for the fostering of new regional initiative and cultivating relationships among existing members, industry and potential new members. If elected, I will strive to promote the section lead in fostering new ways to capitalize on the current networking across the U.S.