

## **Protecting Workers | Developing Professionals**

The SW Ag Center was created in 1995 at The University of Texas at Tyler Health Science Center to serve Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas as part of a program initiative of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. NIOSH established a network of centers to conduct programs of research, prevention, intervention, education, and outreach to reduce occupational injuries and diseases among agricultural workers and their families.

**Outreach** 

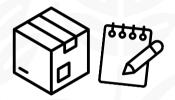
Safety Articles | Online Resources | Virtual Trainings | Local Partner Engagement

**358,000**YouTube Views





4,000+ resources distributed annually



Research

Dairy Worker Safety | Organic Farming Survey | Roadway Safety Farmer Health & Safety

From 2010-2018 there were 4,714 crashes that involved farm equipment in the SW.

Of these, 1,729 (37%) resulted in an injury.



328 occurred in NM

\$150,000

per year dedicated to NM Research

## **Partners**

- University of New Mexico
- New Mexico State University
- Dairy Producers of NM
- Cross Country Dairy
- Farm to Table
- La Cosecha

**Capacity Building** 

**\$142,000**Outreach Mini
Grants

since 2018

\$558,000
Feasibility Studies
Funding

\$46,000 Internship Support

since 2012

## **Hill Visit Notes**

New Mexico

- Dr. Eva Shipp is collecting agricultural and logging-related crash data to better inform state transportation safety initiatives
- Dr. Dave Douphrate has a new project to characterize the health status of workers at large herd dairies.
- Dr. Robert Hagevoort from New Mexico State University is a long-standing member of the SW Ag Center Advisory Board
- Dr. Francisco Soto Mas has conducted extensive research with organic farmers in New Mexico, many students were mentored throughout his research
- Dr. Tammy Thomas created a farmer health and safety program with support from the SW Ag Center feasibility study program
- Dr. Melissa Fleegler was able to offer a rural medicine experience to residents through the feasibility study program