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PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

Education

University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, Ph. D. Hydrology/Hydrogeology, 1996 Chinese Academy of Sciences, China, M. Sci. Engineering Geology/Hydrogeology, 1987 Tongji University, China, B. Eng. Hydrogeology/Engineering Geology, 1983 Texas A&M University (TAMU), Texas, Texas AgriLife Advanced Leadership Cohort III, 2016

Professional Registration

Professional Engineer:

- License in Texas (87496) since December 1, 2000.
- License in New Mexico (27106) since August 26, 2021.

Professional Hydrologist:

• Certified by American Institute of Hydrology (06-H-1656) since January 2006.

Professional Specialty and Interest

- Environmental & Water Resources: Groundwater hydrology, aquifer mechanics, surface water hydrology, environmental flow
- Geotechnical: Soil mechanics, rock mechanics, slope stability

Interest: Hydrological processes of river systems; Dynamics of aquifer systems; Interactions of atmospheric, surface, and subsurface waters; Brackish/saline water intrusion; Conjunctive uses and management of surface and groundwater resources; Managed aquifer recharge; Integrated water resources management (IWRM); Water conservation: irrigation efficiency and use of reclaimed water and brackish water; Linking hydrological model with economic model; Database and GIS applications in water resources management and planning; Desalination and new materials, disposal of and beneficial uses of concentrates; and Mitigation of geological hazards, land subsidence and earth fissures, landslides.

EMPLOYMENT & EXPERIENCE

Appointments

2022 - present, Professor, Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland

2020 - present, Principal, Sheng Engineering PLLC

2017 – 2020, Center Director, Texas A&M AgriLife Research Center at El Paso, El Paso, Texas

2014 – 2020, Professor, Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, TAMU and Texas A&M AgriLife Research Center at El Paso, Texas

2007 – 2014, Associate Professor, Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, TAMU and Texas A&M AgriLife Research Center at El Paso, Texas

2001 – 2007, Assistant Professor, Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, TAMU and Texas A&M AgriLife Research Center at El Paso, Texas

1998 – 2001, Hydrogeologist, El Paso Water Utilities, Texas

1997 – 1998, Research Fellow, Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland

1991 – 1996, Hydrogeologist, Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology, Reno, Nevada

1983 – 1991, Geoscientist, Institute of Geology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China

SELECTED GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

- Cyber Training: Implementation: Small: Broadening Adoption of Cyberinfrastructure and Research Workforce Development for Disaster Management (NSF, 2024-2026), Investigator, PI, Zhe Zhang TAMU.
- Improve highway safety by reducing the risks of landslides (UTC Safety 21, 2023-2028), U.S. Department of Transportation, PI.
- Incorporating Precipitation Data into Geotechnical Asset Management, Funded by Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) April 11, 2023 December 31, 2024, PI.
- Verifying interconnection between different aquifer layers at the Managed Aquifer Recharge Site in Anne Arundel County, Maryland with isotope analysis, Funded by Morgan State University March 1, 2023 September 30, 2023, PI.
- Diversifying the Water Portfolio for Agriculture in the Rio Grande Basin, Investigator; PI: Tracy J., TWRI, USDA-NIFA, 2017-2020.
- ASR Feasibility Study, Harris County Flood Control District, 2017-2020. Co-PI, PI: Miller, G., TAMIJ
- Sustainable Water Resources for Irrigated Agriculture in a Desert River Basin Facing Climate Change and Competing Demands: From Characterization to Solutions, USDA-NIFA, 2015-2020, Co-PI; PI: Hargrove, W., UTEP.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Over last 23 years, published over 80 journal articles, 9 book chapters, 37 technical and project reports; edited 1 ASCE manual of practice, 5 standard guidelines, and 1 committee report; made over 100 invited presentations at international, national, research group meetings and university seminars, and prepared over 200 conference papers, abstracts, and related presentations.

- Hargrove a, W.L., J.M. Heyman, A. Mayer, A. Mirchi, A. Granados-Olivas, G. Ganjegunte, D. Gutzler, D.D. Pennington, F.A. Ward, L. Garnica Chavira, Z. Sheng, S. Kumar, N. Villanueva-Rosales, W.S. Walker. 2023. The future of water in a desert river basin facing climate change and competing demands: A holistic approach to water sustainability in arid and semi-arid regions, Journal of Hydrology: Regional Studies 46 (2023) 101336.
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 DOI:10.1016/j.watres.2022.119199
- American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) (Sheng, Z., Contributing Author) 2022.
 Investigation of Land Subsidence due to Fluid Withdrawal, Land Subsidence Task Committee.
 Reston, VA, ASCE.
- Jung, C., S. Ahn, Z. Sheng, E.K. Ayana, R. Srinivasan, and D. Yeganantham. 2021. Evaluate River Water Salinity in a Semi-Arid Agricultural Watershed by Coupling Ensemble Machine Learning Technique with SWAT Model, Journal of the American Water Resources Association: https://doi.org//10.1111/1752-1688.12958, October 2021
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- assessment of surface injection, Hydrological Processes, 35(5): https://doi.org/10.1002/hyp.14193, 26 April 2021
- Ahn, S., and Z. Sheng. 2021. Assessment of Water Availability and Scarcity Based on Hydrologic Components in an Irrigated Agricultural Watershed Using SWAT. Journal of the American Water Resources Association. 57(1): 186-203. https://doi.org/10.1111/1752-1688.12888.
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- Abudu S., Z. Sheng, J.P. King, and S. Ahn. 2019. A Karez System's Dilemma: A Cultural Heritage on a Shelf or Still a Viable Technique for Water Resiliency in Arid Regions. In: Yang L., Bork HR., Fang X., Mischke S. (eds) Socio-Environmental Dynamics along the Historical Silk Road. Springer, Cham, 507-525. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-00728-7 22.
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SERVICE ACTVITIES

University and Department Service

- University Council, 2022-, Morgan State University
- University IT Commission, 2022-, Morgan State University
- College of Life and Agricultural Sciences Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2016-18, TAMU
- Award Committee Co-Chair, 2017-18, Texas A&M AgriLife Research
- Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2007-20, TAMU
- BAEN Recognition and Events Committee, 2009-11, TAMU
- Chair, Search Committee for the Faculty in Hydrological System Dynamics, 2019, TAMU

Leadership and Services in Professional Societies

- Member, 2005-06, Advisory Committee on Sustainable Underground Storage of Recoverable Water, National Academy of Sciences, National Research Council
- Panelist, NSF 1631 Infrastructure Panel, June 18, 2010, Reston, VA.
- Vice President for International Affairs, 2016-2019. American Institute of Hydrology
- Board Director, 2019-2020, American Water Resources Association
- President, 2024-present, Chinese American Water Resources Association
- President, 2012-2013, Association of Oversea Chinese Agricultural, Biological and Food Engineers
- American Society of Civil Engineers Environmental and Water Resources Institute
 - Secretary, 2020-2022, Groundwater Council
 - Chair, 2018-2022, Land Subsidence Task Committee
 - Chair, 2011-2013, Groundwater Hydrology Committee
 - Chair, 2008-2010, Committee on Symposia and Continuing Education
 - Vice Chair, 2007-2010, Groundwater Management Committee, 2007-2010.