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THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S CINDY TAYLOR, HAS BEEN SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN CLASS XXV OF PROJECT CENTRL, THE CENTER FOR RURAL LEADERSHIP.

An Arizona native, Cindy's work experience includes the private sector, nonprofit, state, and local government entities. Cindy and her husband Nate returned the Valley, from Gila County, in 2009 to be near their grandchildren. Cindy credits her parents for teaching her positive work ethic, morals, and integrity. She is looking forward to utilizing the personal and professional leadership skills promoted by Project CENTRL to further educate herself and others on overcoming the challenge many Arizona communities face in obtaining safe, healthy and affordable produce for their families.

Project CENTRL inspires a life-long journey of rural Arizona leadership. With over 600 graduates since beginning in 1983, Project CENTRL's impact on rural Arizona is significant and substantial as participants hold many leadership positions around the State.

Sixteen participants were selected for Class XXV which held its first seminar June 17-18, at the Wigwam Resort in Litchfield, Arizona. Over the next year, the new class will have six seminars held throughout Arizona, a public policy trip to Washington D.C. and an international study tour in Mexico.

New class members attended the graduation for Class XXIV with keynote speaker Dr. Lowell Catlett, a futurist with positive and upbeat predictions. Alumni include leaders in municipal, state, and national positions in both public and private institutions. While the graduation celebration welcomes its new class, the award ceremony demonstrates that "graduation" is only the beginning of their leadership journey, not the end.

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