## **Board Member Profile: Lorna Roush**

Lorna Roush's agricultural roots run deep in the fertile soil of Fresno County. A fifth-generation farmer, Lorna serves as the chief financial officer of Schultz Ranch Inc., a sixth-generation family farming and ranching operation and the oldest family-owned ranch in Fresno County. For nearly 30 years, she has managed the financial and operational aspects of the ranch, which produces almonds, pistachios and wine grapes in the Burrel area.

In addition to her professional work, Lorna has dedicated countless volunteer hours to agriculture and her local community. She has actively supported and served in organizations such as FFA, 4-H, California Women for Agriculture, Central Valley Women for Agriculture, Ag One Foundation at Fresno State, Horizon Nut Company, My Job Depends on Ag, and the Riverdale Community Foundation. Her broad involvement reflects a deep commitment to sustaining and strengthening the future of agriculture in the Central Valley.

Her passion for local infrastructure and safety led her to found a grassroots campaign to finish the widening of a 6.2 mile stretch of Highway 41 between Excelsior and Elkhorn Avenues, a cause that has galvanized thousands in the region.

Since joining the Fresno County Farm Bureau Board of Directors in 2018, Lorna has brought a strong voice for family farms and rural communities. She currently serves as the organization's treasurer as well as Fresno's representative to the California Farm Bureau Board of Directors.

Outside of agriculture, Lorna's greatest joy is her family. She is the proud mother of two and grandmother of three grandsons, all of whom share a love for sprint car racing. Whether it's managing ranch finances or cheering on her grandkids at the track, Lorna brings the same energy, heart, and leadership to everything she does.