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New Texas Cooperative Extension Agent Named for Irion County

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MERTZON – Ross Benson of Mertzson has been named Texas Cooperative Extension’s county agent for Irion County. The announcement was made by County Judge Leon Standard and Scott Durham, Extension administrator at San Angelo.

Benson will begin work in Irion County on July 1.

“We are pleased to have Ross join us here in Extension’s West Central district,” Durham said. “He has a strong background in working with young people gleaned from his years as an elementary school teacher. He’s also a past member of 4-H in this district, and was very active in the program while growing up. I’m sure he will be a real asset to the county and the entire district as well.”

Benson is a 1995 graduate of Angelo State University where he earned a bachelor of science degree in animal science. While at the university, he was on the school’s national champion wool team and was a member of the Block and Bridle Club.

He has been a teacher at Belaire Elementary School in San Angelo since 2001. Prior to teaching, he was a district salesman for PM Ag Products and worked in sales and marketing for Merrick’s Inc.

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