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Analysis of oil and gas well data, subsurface stratigraphy, and GIS applications; monitor and develop brine disposal database through online web mapping; utilize geologic mapping products, Petra, and ArcGIS. Past responsibilities included technical coordinator and chief compiler for Kentucky Digital Geologic Mapping Program (1996-2006).

Professional Organizations:

- Geological Society of Kentucky

Publications:

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