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Public Managers with a University of La Verne Background



Colton City Manager **Rod Foster** suggested that we take a look at those who have graduated from the

University of La Verne and develop a newsletter list featuring them. So we have taken that look and find a number of names that need to be included in a list of local government managers with a University of La Verne background. We know there must be more than we have found, but here is the list that we developed. We hope you enjoy it.



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and my focus."

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A member of the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC), the University of La Verne competes in NCAA Division III competitions. The Leopard is the school's mascot. **Devorah A. Lieberman** is the current President of the University. In California, about one-third of all school superintendents received their doctorate in education from the university. Current campus location in addition to the Main Campus in La Verne, include campuses in: San Luis Obispo, Victorville, two Ontario locations, Bakersfield, Irvine, Burbank, Oxnard, Point Mugu Naval Air Station, and the Vandenberg Air Force Base.

Notable alumni of the University of La Verne include: former Major League Baseball pitcher **Dan Quisenberry**; and **Anthony Zuiker**, the creator and Executive Producer of CSI.

There are 31 ICMA members who list the University of La Verne in their educational background but many fail to provide and career histories. Those listed in the ICMA Who's Who Directory that meet that description include: DPA Student **Bobby Bates**; **Georgia Pon**, Special Projects Officer for Long Beach; DPA candidate **Hector Solis**; **Jesse Holguin**, who is listed as having a 2010 DPA; student **John P. Marsh**; MPA recipient **Karina J. Banales**; and **Ricardo V. Dell**, also an MPA recipient.

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Since this venture is Rod's idea, we would be remiss if we did not begin this list with him. Between 1983 and 1986 **Rodney D. Foster** worked in the private sector. In 1988

Rod began a 10-year assignment as the Assistant to the City Manager in Chino. He left Chino in 1998 to take a similar position with Hesperia, and went from Assistant to the City Manager to Interim City Manager in 1999. In 2000 Rod was appointed Deputy City Manager in Hesperia. He served there for about the next 5-years, and in 2005 he was hired to serve as the Assistant City Manager in Upland. In November, 2009 Rod was selected to be the Colton City Manager on a 7-0 City Council vote. Rod earned a BA and MS at the University of La Verne, and a special post graduate certificate in strategic management of public organizations from the University of California, Berkeley. In 2010 he was the recipient of a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

Benjamin Montgomery is currently the Neighborhood Services Manager in Chino Hills. He began his public service career as a Library Assistant/Administrative Analyst in Whittier between 1991 and 2000. Ben took an Administrative Analyst post in Torrance for a short time in 2000, and joined the Brea staff in Management Analyst II that same year. He left his Brea assignment in 2006 to assume his current position in Chino Hills. Ben earned a BA in Economics and a BA in Psychology from California State University, Dominguez Hills, an MPA from California State University, Long Beach and an MBA from the University of La Verne. He indicates that he served as an MMASC Board Member between 2004 and 2008



U.S. Olympic Gymnast **McKayla Maroney** was born in Long Beach, and lists Laguna Niguel as her home town.



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Colin D. Tudor joined the Claremont city staff in 2005 as a Sports Program Coordinator. In 2006 he was appointed to a Management Analyst post and in 2010 he was elevated to Assistant to the City Manager. In January, 2012 Colin was selected to serve as the Claremont Interim Assistant City Manager with City Manager **Tony Ramos**. He earned a BA from Claremont McKenna College and an MPA from the University of La Verne.

"I'm sick of following my dreams. I'm just going to ask them where they're goin', and hook up with them later."

--Mitch Hedberg

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Perris Deputy City Manager **Darren C. Madkin** is a member of the Board of the Shield of Faith Economic Development Corp. (SOFEDC). The Associate Pastor earned a BA degree from California State University, Fullerton in Political Science, and an MPA from the University of La Verne.

Daryl A. Betancur served as the City Clerk/Treasurer in Artesia between 2007 and 2008. That year he joined the Pico Rivera staff as City Clerk. Daryl was a 2011 DPA candidate at the University of La Verne. He participated in the 2010 Emerging Leaders Development Program Class.

La Puente Management Analyst **Jeannette Ortega** was appointed to her current position in 2006. She has earned a BS and MPA from the University of La Verne.



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After serving two-years as the Ridgecrest City Manager, **Kurt O. Wilson** is leaving to assume a Deputy City Manager post in Stockton, replacing the retiring **Mike Locke**. He will become part of the support staff with City Manager **Bob Deis**. Kurt starts in Stockton in September. He previously served an elected member of the Rialto City Council. He was also appointed by the San Bernardino Mayor to serve as the Director of Community Safety and Violence Prevention, a post he was asked to create. In addition, he served as the Chief of External Affairs for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, and Executive Director of the Corrections Standards Authority for the State of California. He was actually appointed by Governor **Arnold Schwarzenegger** to create the Office of External Affairs for the CDCR. Kurt earned a BS from the University of La Verne, where he also earned an MBA and an MEd. He is also a graduate of the Leadership Southern California (CORO) program, the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Academy, and the **UCLA** extension program in Project Management.

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Linda Smith is an MPA student at the University of La Verne. She has earned a BS from California State University, Hayward, and is currently serving as a graduate intern in the City of Colton. She previously worked as a Loan Officer for Washington Mutual Bank in Fullerton (2001-2006) and as a Senior Loan Officer in Rosemead for Countrywide (2006-2007). Linda is a Fontana resident.

Mark N. Nuaimi started his working career on the private side as a Design Specialist for General Dynamics from 1986 to 1996. In 1996 he took a Senior Program Manager post with Iteris, Inc., and worked there until 2006. In 1996 Mark was elected to the Mayor's position in Fontana and served there until 2010. He was appointed Assistant City Manager in Colton in 2006, serving as a staff member and an elected official in different cities at the same time. In 2010 Mark was recruited to serve as the Town Manager in Yucca Valley, and he continues to serve in that post. Mark earned a BSEE from California Polytechnical University, Pomona, and an MBA from the University of La Verne.

Rosemead Assistant City Manager **Matthew E. Hawkesworth** started his municipal government career as an Account Clerk in El Monte in 1995. He was promoted in El Monte to Accountant in 1997, and again to Accounting Manager in 2001. Matt joined the Claremont staff in 2004 as the Treasurer/Finance Director, and he served there until 2007 when he was appointed to his current position in Rosemead. Matt earned a BA from the University of La Verne. In 2006-2007 he served on the MMASC Executive Board as the Treasurer. In 2010 Matt received a 10-year ICMA Service Award.

**"Education does not cease when we leave school,
but only begins there and continues throughout life."**



Dr. Penelope Culbreth-Graff began her local government career in 1979 as an Administrative Assistant in Montclair. She left there in 1984 to serve for a short time as the Support Services Manager in Monterey Park. That same year (1984) she was hired in Chino as the Assistant to the City Manager. Penny was promoted to Chino Assistant City Manager in 1988. In 1991 she was selected to serve as the City Administrator in Grover Beach, and she served there until 1994 when she was appointed Assistant City Manager in Tucson, Arizona. Penny returned to California in 1996 to assume the position of Assistant City Manager in San Diego, where she served until 2000. That year she was chosen to be the Tribal Government Manager for the Viejas Indian Reservation in California. In 2004 Penny was appointed Assistant City Manager in Riverside and in 2004 she joined the Huntington Beach city staff as City Administrator. She was selected to be the Colorado Spring, Colorado City Manager in 2008 and she served there until 2010. She is currently teaching in the MPA program at the University of Colorado in Colorado Springs, and she serves as the Chief Executive of Culbreth Associates. Penny earned a BA and BS from California Polytechnic University, Pomona and, and an MPA from California State University. She also earned a DPA from the University of La Verne. She received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2011.



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Philip E. Gatch, 71, served as the City Manager of Thousand Oaks from 2003 to 2005. He was a 38-year veteran of the Thousand Oaks city staff. He joined the Thousand Oaks staff as a Senior Planner in 1967, and in 1970 he was appointed to the Community Development Director post and he served in that position until 2003. Phil earned a BA from Washington State University and an MPA from the University of La Verne. In 2001 he was the recipient of a 25-year ICMA Service Award. He is a former participant in the ICMA Exchange Program to New Zealand.



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Perris City Manager **Richard Belmudez** previously served as the City of Perris Director of Development Services and Planning Manager. He was appointed City Manager in 2006. Prior to joining the Perris staff he served as a Senior Planner in Pomona. Richard earned a BS in Public Administration and an MBA from the University of La Verne.

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Dr. Robb D. Quincey, Ph.D. served as the Hesperia City Manager from 2000 to 2005. In 2005 he was appointed City Manager in Upland and he served there until May, 2011. He has also served as the Chief Executive Officer for the Inland Empire Utilities Agency. Currently, he serves as the Chairman of Casa Colina Centers For Rehabilitation Foundation at Casa Colina, Inc. located in Pomona. Robb earned a BA at the University of Minnesota, and MPA at the University of South Dakota and a PhD from the University of La Verne. He completed his post-doctorate education at Harvard University, Stanford University and the University of California, Berkeley. In 2010 Robb received a 10-year ICMA Service Award. He is a past recipient of the Outstanding Senior Administrator Award presented by the American Society of Public Administration (ASPA).

**"I have never let my schooling
interfere with my education."
--Mark Twain**



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Troy L. Butzlaff began his public management career in La Verne, and in 1989 he took a Management Aide job in Chino. In 1990 Troy joined the Diamond Bar staff as an Administrative Analyst, and in 1991 he was promoted to Assistant to the City Manager where he worked with **Terrence L. Belanger** (who was appointed Diamond Bar City Manager in October, 1992 from the Assistant City Manager post he held starting in June, 1990). In 1996 Troy was selected to serve in a similar Assistant to the City Manager post in Indian Wells with City Manager **George Watts**. He was promoted in 1999 to Assistant City Manager. Troy moved from Indian Wells in 2002 and joined the Palm Springs staff as Assistant City Manager where he served for a half-dozen years. Troy was appointed City Administrator in Placentia in May, 2008 and continues to serve in that post. He earned a BA and MPA at the University of La Verne. Troy is also a graduate of the Berkeley Executive Seminar at the University of California, Berkeley where he earned a certificate in Strategic Management of Public Agencies, and the Gettysburg Leadership Institute with a certificate in Public Leadership. In 2012 Troy received a 20-year ICMA Service Award. Troy participated in the ICMA Exchange Program to New Zealand in 2006. **Gonzalo Vazquez** of the Cypress staff and a few others will be interested to know that Troy is an avid Star Trek fan and has an impressive collection of television and movie memorabilia.

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Baldwin Park Chief Executive Officer **Vijay Singhal** is a Full Member of ICMA. He served on the city staff in Barstow between 2000 and 2005 with various responsibilities in the positions of Finance Director, Interim City Manager and Deputy City Manager. In 2005 he joined the Baldwin Park city staff in his current post. He earned an MBA from the University of La Verne.



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Dr. Robert J. Meteau Jr. is an Education Administrator at the University of La Verne is an Affiliate Member of ICMA. He earned a BS and DPA from the University of La Verne and a M.Ed. Education from the University of Chapman. He has more than 30-years of public service experience in the military, municipal and education sectors. He is a U. S. Air Force veteran, and spent some 14-years as a municipal public utility employee. He has spent the past 13-plus years as an education administrator.

From 1986 until 1990 **Rocky D. Rogers** served as a Chief Shift Operator in Checotah, Oklahoma. In 1990 he was hired as the Public Works Superintendent in the City of Pismo Beach. Rocky was appointed Public Works Director in Reedley in 2005. He was selected to serve as the Reedley City Manager in 2008. He left Reedley in 2011 and moved back to Oklahoma to accept the appointment to be the City Manager in Sand Springs, Oklahoma. Rocky earned a BS from Northeastern State University and an MBA from the University of La Verne.



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Kathleen I. Lang, currently the Deputy Director in the Public Health Department in Imperial County, served as an Administrative Analyst III in Imperial County from 2006 to 2007. She was promoted to Administrative Manager in 2007 and then to her current post in 2009. Kathleen earned a BA and MPA from San Diego State University, and a DPA at the University of La Verne.



Marcie Edwards, who earned a BA and MPA from the University of La Verne, was honored by the Anaheim Chamber of Commerce in 2011 as a "Business

Champion of the Year." Marcie has served as the Anaheim Public Utilities General Manager since January, 2001. She has more than 30-years of experience in the public utilities industry. The Anaheim Public Utilities is a municipal, not-for-profit, utility that delivers water and electric power to residents and businesses of the City of Anaheim. Marcie also served on the Metropolitan Water District Board between December, 2005 and 2009.



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Signal Hill Chief of Police **Michael Langston** is a University of La Verne alumnus. Mike served as a Police Lieutenant in San Fernando for some 19-years between 1988 and 2007. In November, 2007 he joined the Turlock police department as a Captain, and in May, 2011 he was appointed Chief of Police in Signal Hill. He graduated from John F. Kennedy High School. He earned an MBA from the University of La Verne, and he attended the FBI National Academy in Quantico Virginia.

La Palma Chief of Police **Eric R. Nuñez** went to high school at John Glenn High School in Norwalk. At the age of 29 he decided to follow in the footsteps of two of his cousins who were in law enforcement. He went to the Goldenwest College Police Academy, and was recruited to join the La Palma Police Department. He celebrated his 20th years with the City of La Palma in May, 2011. Former La Palma City Manager **Dominic Lazzaretto**, currently the Arcadia City Manager, appointed Eric to replace retired Chief of Police **Ed Ethell**, who served La Palma for 29-years. Eric earned a BS from the University of La Verne and an Executive Masters in Leadership from the University of Southern California (**USC**).



Adam Collier is a Planner II for the March Joint Powers Authority, the federally recognized March Air Force Base Reuse Authority. Adam joined the March JPA in October 2010. Prior to his current assignment, Adam worked for the City of Rancho Cucamonga as an Assistant Planner between October, 2007 and 2010. He earned a BS in urban and regional planning from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona and an MPA from the University of La Verne.

Stephen G. Harding is the city manager for the City of Jurupa Valley. He also currently serves as an adjunct professor in Northwestern University's Master of Public Policy and Administration Program, and in the University of La Verne's Master of Public Administration (MPA) Program. Should you wish to contact Steve, is can be reached at: sharding@jurupavalley.org.

Of course this is not a comprehensive list but it is a good representation of those who are alumni of the University of La Verne. Thank you **Rod Foster** for pushing us to develop this list. We hope it meets with your approval.



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If you do win, you've only put off the
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--**Leo Durocher**



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Others on the **Tripepi Smith & Associates Team** include: **Nicole D. Smith, CPA**; **April Davila**, who graduated with honors from the Master of Professional Writing program at the University of Southern California (**USC**); **Owen Thal**, a Claremont McKenna College graduate; **Bryan Wells**; **Jon Barilone**; and **Jessica Hernandez**.

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Picking Up The Pieces: La Mirada City Manager **Tom Robinson** has promoted **Jeff Boynton**, 33, and **Anne Haraksin**, 41, to Deputy City Manager positions to help replace Assistant City Manager **Kevin**

Prelgovisk, who recently retired. Jeff has been with the La Mirada city staff since 2001 and Anne joined the staff in 2000. Retired Santa Maria City Manager **Tim Ness** has accepted the assignment of Interim City Administrator in Guadalupe. He plans to serve until a permanent replacement for former City Manager **Regan Candelario** is found. Hemet City Manager **Brian Nakamura** has been appointed to be the new Chico City Manager. Brian will replace current City Manager **Dave Burkland** when he retires August 31. South San Francisco City Manager **Barry Nagel** attended a ceremony with Chief of Police **Mike Massoni**, and elected officials recently to honor federal agents who helped arrest the individual now indicted for the 2010 triple homicide in South City. Corvallis, Oregon Assistant City Manager **Ellen Volmert** is the new La Palma City manager. She has served as the Corvallis ACM since 994. She grew up in Fullerton. Ellen has a BA from **UCLA** and an MPA from California State University, Fullerton. She is an ICMA Credentialed Manager. Former Baldwin Park CEO **Dayle Keller** is the new Interim City Administrator in El Monte, as City Administrator **René Bobadilla** reports to the Huntington Park City Manager post. She has served in interim assignments in American Canyon and Lawndale. Though the local AFSCME union objects, the Hawaiian Gardens City Council has established a new City Manager form of government in place of the City Administrator model. City Administrator **Ernesto Marquez** has been named to be the first Hawaiian Gardens City Manager. Former Redwood City Deputy City Manager **Magda Gonzales** has been appointed to serve as the new City Manager in East Palo Alto. Magda has also held position with the city staffs in Belmont and San Bruno. She has a BA from California State University, Sacramento and a JD from Santa Clara Law School. She is the President-elect of the International Hispanic Network, a San Jose-based organization for Hispanic government administrators. Editors for The Sun newspaper of San Bernardino and the Inland Empire have complimented San Bernardino Interim City Manager **Andrea Travis-Miller** for her handling of the San Bernardino bankruptcy. They say the Andrea "...has become a model of transparency and civility in San Bernardino." Andrea is a former La Mirada City Manager. Los Angeles Superior Court Judge **Susan Bryant-Deason** ruled that former Manhattan Beach City Manager **Geoff Dolan** must pay the city

\$45,187 in attorney fees charged as a result of his breach of contract lawsuit. The amount is half of the \$88,760 that the city requested. Former City Attorney **Roxanne Diaz** is handling the case on behalf of Manhattan Beach. Elk Grove, where **Laura S. Gill** serves as City Manager, has launched a new website for instantly downloading business information. ElkGroveSiteSearch.com provides immediate and free access to real estate, demographic and industry breakdowns. The site was launched by the Elk Grove Economic Development Department. An ICMA Task Force has completed their task of updating the ICMA Guidelines for Selecting A Local Government Administrator. Cal-ICMA members who served on the Task Force include: **Troy Brown**, Livermore Assistant City Manager, who serves on the ICMA Executive Board as a Regional Vice President; **Tony Dahlerbruch**, Rolling Hills City Manager; **Debra Kurita**, former City Manager; and **Bob Murray**, President of **Bob Murray & Associates**. Ridgecrest City Manager **Kurt Wilson**, 39, is the new Deputy City Manager in Stockton, appointed by City Manager **Bob Deis**. Kurt previously worked in San Bernardino and Rialto. Former Stockton Deputy City Manager **Mike Locke** retired in May. San Carlos Assistant City Manager **Brian Moura** earned a BA from the University of California, Berkeley and an MPA from California State University, Hayward. He joined the San Carlos staff in 1986. Retired City Manager **George Carvalho** has relocated his residence from San Clemente to Santa Cruz. George says that he loves the beach! Chico City Council Member **Mark Sorensen** has been selected to serve as the new City Administrator/Finance Director in Biggs, California. After being placed on Administrative Leave, Santa Maria Police Chief **Danny Macagni**, he notified City Manager **Rick Haydon** that he has retired. He was named Chief in June, 2003 by then-City Manager **Tim Ness**. Commander **Craig Ritz** is leading the department.

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More Pieces Picked Up: Sacramento City Manager **John Shirey** has appointed **Dave Brent** as the Sacramento Director of Utilities. Dave has served as Interim Director for nearly a year. Former Sonoma



City Manager **Mike Fuson**, 68, has been appointed Interim City Manager in Belvedere following City Manager **George Rodericks'** resignation in June. Mike also served as City Manager in Sausalito, Pismo

Beach and as Assistant City Manager in Novato. Belvedere Assistant City Manager **Felicia Wheaton** served as Acting City Manager following George's resignation. Roseville City Manager **Ray Kerridge**, a former Sacramento City Manager, takes humanities courses online through California State University, Dominguez Hills. He says that he may pursuing a Master of Humanities degree, but is not concerned about finishing the curriculum. He likes to learn for the sake of learning. "I like to do it because I don't have to," he said. **David Brandt** is scheduled to assume the City Manager post in his hometown Cupertino on September 10, 2012 succeeding former City Manager **David Knapp**. David has served as the City Manager in Redmond, Oregon since 2009. He previously worked in Alameda. Retired Sunnyvale City Manager **Amy Chan** is serving as Interim City Manager in Cupertino. Former Hercules Police Chief and Interim City Manager **Fred Deltorchio** has publicly joined the city council member campaign of **Bill Kelly**, an attorney and former San Francisco police officer, one of 7 Hercules candidates for three seats. Public Works Director **Mike Emberton**, 50, will add the duties of San Jacinto Assistant City Manager to his position. The ACM post has been vacant since **Tim Hults** become Interim City Manager after **Barry McClellan** retired in 2010. Tim has since been elevated to the City Manager position as a permanent appointment. **Russell Dix** of Republic Services lost his battle with cancer and passed away at the end of July. Rest in Peace Russell. Jurupa Valley in Riverside County, where **Steve Harding** is City Manager and **George Wentz** is Assistant City Manager, lost \$6.5 million out of a \$14.6 million budget when the state Legislature voted last year to take state vehicle license fee money that used to go to new cities. The City of about 100,000 people was incorporated in March, 2011. Every Jurupa Valley employee is a retained contractor, including the City Manager, in order to maximize cost-effectiveness. Governor **Jerry Brown** and the Legislature also hurt California's three other newest cities: Menifee lost \$3.8 million; Eastvale lost \$3 million; and Wildomar lost \$2 million. Santa Fe Spring City Council Member **Joseph Serrano**, 62, resigned and **Laurie Rios** was appointed

to serve the remainder of his term. Council Member **Serrano** pleaded guilty to a Federal bribery charge for soliciting money from a medical marijuana dispensary. **Thaddeus McCormack** is the Santa Fe Spring City Manager. East Palo Alto, where **Ron Davis** is Interim City Manager, will shut down for 11-furlough days during the next fiscal year responding to the tight economics. With the exception of the East Palo Alto police, all city employees will take a 5% salary cut most through the furlough program. **William Rawlings** had more than 23-years of municipal management and economic development prior to being appointed City Manager in Menifee last year. Prior to joining the Menifee staff William served as the Director of Redevelopment & Housing for the City of Vista. He earned a BA at California State University, Fullerton and a JD from Western State University, College of Law. Former Hawaiian Gardens City Administrator **Ray Harris**, who retired as the Transportation Deputy on the staff of Los Angeles County Supervisor **Don Knabe**, serves as a volunteer at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum in Yorba Linda. **Michael Busch**, President of **Urban Futures, Inc.**, serves as the Treasurer on the Board of the California Utility Executive Management Foundation. Trackdown Posse member **Dr. Bill Mathis, Ph.D.** also serves on the Board as a Corporate Representative. CUEMF will have a *Dinner At The Aquarium* in Monterey during their 2012 Leadership Summit on Wednesday, September 5, 2012. Westmorland, in Imperial County, has one of the smallest Police Departments in California with a Chief and 5-full-time officers with four patrol vehicles. Westmorland, incorporated in 1934, has a population of 2,225 and is part of the El Centro Metropolitan Area.

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