

**Profile**

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Job Title

**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

AAC - Agriculture Advisory Committee: Submitted

**How long have you been a resident of Indian River County?**

39 years

**Are you a full-time or part-time resident? Select one. \***

Full Time

**Please list current employer or businesses. If retired, please list any business experience that may be applicable to the committee.**

Mr. Adair is the Executive Director and President for the Florida Research Center for Agricultural Sustainability for 21 years and is the owner of Adair Citrus Acres a citrus grove for 39 Years.

**Please list any licenses you presently hold:**

Florida Dept of Agriculture certified Commercial Pesticide Applicators license. Univ. of Fla.certified training in Citrus IPM, BMPs, HLB and Citrus Canker.

**Please list any organization of which you are currently a member:**

Wedgworth Leadership Institute for Agriculture and Natural Resources Alumni Association  
Florida Natural Resources Leadership Institute Association of Fellows Florida and Indian River County Farm Bureaus

**Please list any other committees or boards you currently sit on:**

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Advisory Committee member for the Indian River Research & Education Center, Ft. Pierce, FL. Chairman (2018-Present). Elected Official- Supervisor and Chairman 1998-Present, Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District.

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**Interests & Experiences**

**Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?**

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I believe that an active and viable agriculture is one of the keys to the quality of life in Indian River County. To that end, I want to do all that I can to empower a sustainable and diverse agricultural industry from aquaculture to agro tourism for the County's 182,000 acres of agricultural land and each of the 450 farms. Now more than ever our County's citrus groves are facing a grave risk from citrus greening disease (HLB), a devastating bacterial disease for which there is no known cure. Likewise I feel compelled to help provide guidance to conserve both our County's and State's valuable water resources for agricultural, domestic, recreational, and environmental uses. I possess a professional knowledge of Florida citrus management and conservation practices. As an agricultural research scientist and grower for 39 years, I have developed and field-tested a suite of sustainable agricultural practices that are both economically and environmentally efficient for citrus. I have 47 years of farming experience that includes citrus, peaches, cattle, forage and wheat farming. This experience gives me a deep understanding of the numerous challenges that face our County's farmers each day.

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**Demographics**

**Race (Used for State Reporting) \***

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Caucasian

**Do you have a government recognized disability? (Used for State reporting information)**

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Yes  No