Congressman Will Hurd visits the El Paso AgriLife Center

The Texas A&M AgriLife Research Center in El Paso had the honor of receiving a visit by Congressman Will Hurd Saturday, March 30, 2019. Congressman Hurd, a Texas A&M graduate, explained that while he was in El Paso he wanted the revisit the Center and learn more about the research being conducted here.

Dr. Sheng, the Center Director, began the meeting by explaining the overall research focus of the Center. This led to many questions regarding water policy and water concerns for the area and how the concerns are intertwined with national security.

When the Congressman asked what can be done to alleviate the concerns, Dr. Niu used the opportunity to explain the different research programs at the Center and how they are making an impact. She then spent some time describing her hydroponic research. Dr. Torell added some key points regarding the economics of the food supply chain.

The meeting finished with a discussion between Congressman Hurd and Dr. Ganjegunte of how the crops in this area are affected by soil salinity.

Throughout the time together, Congressman Hurd asked insightful questions, demonstrating his interest in the Center research.