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Dr. Wendy Powers is the Associate Vice President, Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR) at the University of California. As the Associate Vice President, Powers oversees county-based Cooperative Extension, 12 statewide programs and institutes, and 9 Research and Extension Centers for the University of California system. Powers spends much of her time building partnerships with partners internal and external to the University of California system. She serves as the Associate Director of Cooperative Extension and the Associate Director of the Agriculture Experiment Station. Powers has served in this role since June 2016. Powers started her career as an assistant professor/extension specialist in the Animal Science Department at Iowa State University. After 10 years, Dr. Powers moved to Michigan State University for another 10 years as a full professor/extension specialist and director of environmental stewardship for animal agriculture (College of Agriculture, Animal Science and Biosystems & Agriculture Engineering) during which time she spent 4 years as the first director of the Agriculture and Agribusiness Institute for MSU Extension.