**Ricardo Griffin originally hails from South America. He grew up on a cattle ranch in Paysandú, Uruguay. His ancestors emigrated from England and began working the property in the early eighteen hundred. Ricardo met his wife, Stella, in his home country. They and their two children, Sofia and Santiago, moved to the United States in 2002.**

**Ricardo majored in Agronomy at the University of Uruguay in 1992. The completion of a Master’s Degree in Irrigation Engineering from Utah State University followed in 2004. Ricardo has provided services for private, state, and corporate entities. These include: Consultora Paysandu (Uruguay); Utah State University; Agro Engineering, Inc. and Three S Ranch (Colorado); and Frito Lay (USA and Canada). Ricardo’s work has also taken him abroad to Peru, Honduras, Argentina, and the Dominican Republic.**

**In the spring of 2015, Ricardo and Stella moved to Presque Isle, Maine and formed Sustainable Solutions Agricultural Consulting LLC. The company’s mission is to provide a variety of agronomic and engineering services while assisting clients in producing optimal yields in an environmentally sustainable manner. The home base of the company is in Maine. However, during the winter months, on-site services are available in Florida and Texas.**

**Ricardo is a Certified Crop Adviser. He has experience with the following crops:**

* **Alfalfa, clovers, and grasses and pastures for cattle raising**
* **wheat, corn, sorghum, oats and barley**
* **lettuce, spinach, and broccoli**
* **many varieties of potatoes including Frito Lay, russet types for French fries and fresh markets, reds.**