

BRACERO PROJECT
SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Name of interviewee Santa Maria Madera

Date of interview 19 November 2008

Location/city of interview Oxnard, CA

Name of interviewer Jose J. Tlaxwapan

Length of interview 1:30:43 No. of discs/tapes 1

Spanish English Images scanned? Yes No

Biographical synopsis of interviewee:

Born in 1933, Santa Maria Madera worked in San Diego as a Bracero from 1956-60.

Summary of interview:

Santa Maria recounts his time as a bracero in San Diego, CA. Though he "officially" worked with one rancher, Santa Maria was loaned to others. He also recounts his experience at the contracting center where he, with the help of friends, avoided being sent to hot weathered counties and settling for San Diego.