

## Wheatland County Agricultural Service Board **Environmental Stewardship Awards**

The Wheatland County Agricultural Service Board (ASB) is committed to strengthening, promoting, and supporting agriculture and the environment within our municipality with a view to continually improve how we operate in future years. The ASB develops and implements programs and policies that focus on the areas of weeds, pests, soil and water conservation, and environmental issues for the benefit of all residents.

**The Wheatland County ASB presents the Environmental Stewardship Award as a way to recognize and reward notable efforts within the community to practice and promote environmental stewardship and innovation.** Three Environmental Stewardship Awards are available per year in the following categories:



### **COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP**

The Community Stewardship Award recognizes a Wheatland County community member or group that has made an outstanding contribution to environmental sustainability in the municipality. The award will honor notable projects, programs, or activities performed by businesses, individuals, or community groups, in an effort to acknowledge the people and organizations that make Wheatland County a great place to live and work.

All Wheatland County community members and groups are eligible for this award, including all ratepayers, landowners, renters, hamlet residents, businesses operating within the County, and organizations at work within the municipality.



### **YOUTH STEWARDSHIP**

The Youth Stewardship Award was developed to recognize the importance of engaging youth in environmental stewardship initiatives, as the youth of today represent future generations of the Wheatland County community. We are proud to acknowledge the achievements and involvement of our youngest community members, as they inspire us to lead by example and sustain our environment for their benefit.

The Youth Stewardship Award will be awarded to an individual or group of individuals under the age of eighteen who have shown leadership or strong interest in environmental stewardship. Wheatland County residents, community groups, and school groups are eligible for this award.



### **J. LASLO LEGACY**

This award is named in honor of the retirement of Wheatland County employee Mr. Jim Laslo. Mr. Laslo's passion for education and outreach about agricultural conservation initiatives, and dedication to harnessing the power and innovation of the agricultural community, lead to the uptake of sustainable agriculture practices throughout the municipality.

The J. Laslo Legacy Award will be awarded to an agricultural producer in Wheatland County that has shown leadership in the implementation of beneficial management practice. The winner is dedicated to reducing the environmental impacts of their operation, and has an interest in promoting positive efforts to others in the industry.

**Please contact the Agriculture and Environment department with any questions**

**Please return completed nomination forms to the Ag & Environmental Coordinator by November 1st.**

Email: [agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca](mailto:agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca) • Office Phone: 403-361-2007 • Fax: 403-934-4889 • In Person at the County Office

Mail: Attention Agriculture and Environment, Wheatland County, 242006 Range Road 243, T1P 2C4

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## Award Nomination Form

**The Awards:** Environmental Stewardship Award Winners will receive an award certificate and \$250 to support their initiatives. In addition, they will be recognized during an award ceremony at Wheatland County's Annual General Meeting or other appropriate event and showcased through advertisement on Wheatland County's website, social-media, and in local newspapers and newsletters. Names of winners will also be displayed on plaques at the County Administration Office.

### Nominator:

Name and/or Title: _____
Phone Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Address: _____

### Award Nominee:

Name and/or Title: _____
Phone Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Address: _____

### 1. Which award do you believe best suits your nominee?

- Community Stewardship Award     Youth Stewardship Award     J. Laslo Legacy Award

**2. Please describe why you believe the nominee is deserving of winning the award; you could include how their efforts have led to the reduction of environmental impacts in Wheatland County. Please attach additional pages if necessary. Supporting visual representation such as photos are welcome.**

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**Support in completing nominations is available through the Agriculture and Environment Department. Thank you for taking the time to help us recognize the environmental achievements of community members in Wheatland County.**

**Nominations are due on November 1st each year**

### Personal Information and Confidentiality Statement

- The personal information in this form is collected under the authority of s. 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP) and is used solely for collecting information regarding your Environmental Stewardship Award nomination at Wheatland County. Questions about collection of this information can be directed to the FOIP Coordinator at (403) 934-3321 or [admin@wheatlandcounty.ca](mailto:admin@wheatlandcounty.ca).
- In submitting this document you authorize Wheatland County to disclose the information provided on this form and in any supplementary information to the ASB for the purpose of determining award recipients.
- With the exception of personal information (phone number, address, email address) all information provided in a application package may be provided to ASB for decision-making, and therefore cannot be considered to be confidential. Please see the program guidelines for additional information.