## Alberta Forage Industry Network (AFIN) Leadership Award

## **Award Description and Criteria**

**Award Title: 2019 AFIN Award** 

Purpose: To recognize and encourage leadership in the forage crop sector. The award will recognize individuals that exemplify or enhance the goals of the AFIN and whose leadership has impact of provincial and/or national significance. The award recipient is expected to make a keynote presentation for the next AFIN AGM, or submit a suitable article that can be included in our AFIN website. This article can include an overview of their past achievements, current endeavours and future challenges related to forages in Alberta.

## **Selection Criteria:**

- 1. The primary requisite for this award is tangible evidence that the contribution of the nominee has or will have a positive impact within the forage industry and/or to the public at large.
- 2. The contribution should be provincial in scope.
- 3. Only individuals are eligible for the Award
- 4. Contributions may be, but are not necessarily limited to: management practices, research, teaching, or public relations and/or public education. Among those to be considered are farmers and ranchers, staff in land managing agencies, researchers, and technology transfer personnel whose forage work has contributed in a significant, prolonged and documented way to Alberta and/or Canada's forage industry and/or to the public in general.
- 5. The nominees provide a potential keynote presentation to be delivered at the next AFIN Annual meeting or alternately an original article that will feature and promote forages. In either case, a summary of the address or the project would be included in our website as part of the Leadership Award outreach.

## **Award Presentation:**

- 1. The award will be presented annually at the AFIN annual meeting.
- 2. Each recipient of the AFIN Leadership Award will receive a framed print or an otherwise appropriate memento and a citation.
- 3. The recipient will receive a maximum total amount of \$1,000 based on actual expenses. Allowed expenses will include travel to attend the next AFIN annual meeting to present the keynote presentation, or funds to prepare a poster for the next AFIN Annual Meeting.