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2013 Forage Industry Innovation Award Presented to Michel Tremblay



The Saskatchewan Forage Council (SFC) is pleased to announce presentation of the 2013 Forage Industry Innovation Award to Mr Michel Tremblay at the Council's Annual Meeting held June 24, 2013 at Saskatoon, SK. This award recognizes exemplary innovation, leadership, service and stewardship in Saskatchewan's forage industry.

Without question, Michel has played a critical role in Saskatchewan's forage industry over the past 20+ years. He began his career in 1990 working with the Saskatchewan Forage Council as the Variety Testing Program Coordinator. He was hired as Provincial Forage Specialist by Saskatchewan Agriculture in 1992 and remained in this position until 2012. There are few industry accomplishments and undertakings during that time period that Michel was not involved in or connected to. He headed up many extension

events, spearheaded a number of much-needed industry projects, and worked to create a link between government and industry/producers. There remains a long list of publications, reports and research outputs that were initiated and organized by Michel. He played a lead role in the formation of the SK Forage Seed Development Commission and participated in the creation of the Canadian Forage & Grassland Association.

People who work with Michel describe him as an "ideas" person – he easily identified gaps that existed in the industry and worked hard to help find solutions and positive outcomes. Michel is a "doer", never afraid of hard work and someone who does not shy away from implementation of an idea. He spent countless hours on committees, planning extension events, editing publications and assisting in the development of project proposals. The Saskatchewan forage industry owes a huge "Thank You" to Michel Tremblay for his commitment, support and hard work over the years.

The Saskatchewan Forage Council congratulates Michel on receiving the 2013 Forage Industry Innovation Award. In honour of Michel, the SFC has made a contribution in his name to the [Alicia Hargrave Memorial Bursary](#), College of Agriculture and Bioresources at the University of Saskatchewan.

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