

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Lamont County Employee Recognized for Agricultural Fieldman Service

**January 6, 2022 – LAMONT, AB**: Long-term Lamont County employee and Agricultural Fieldman, Terry Eleniak has been recognized for 25-years with the Association of Alberta Agricultural Fieldman (AAAF).

"We have many committed leaders in our organization, and this is a great accomplishment," said Peter Tarnawsky, Chief Administrative Officer (Interim).

Eleniak has been with Lamont County for more than 25 years, and a member of the AAAF through that time, serving a term as Regional Director and as part of the Legislative Committee with the association. He is also the president of the Lamont and District Agricultural Association, where he was recently recognized as an Outstanding Supporter of Agriculture with the Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies (AAAS). He brings this knowledge to day-to-day operations in the County as it relates to agricultural services.

Agricultural Service Boards (ASB) are something unique to Alberta. Established by Alberta Agriculture to provide expertise on weed control, soil & water resource conservation, as well as pest management. Members are certified experts in agricultural and environmental science. Ultimately the Agricultural Fieldman is liaison between producers and the government.

"I take pride in that," said Eleniak. "In today's era, if you can be involved in something for 25 years that is a great accomplishment—and with one organization, it is an even bigger accomplishment."

There are 69 municipalities that make up the AAAF, sharing their knowledge base and working together as Fieldman and Assistant Fieldman; with 134 certified members across the province focused on revolving issues and challenges related to Alberta's *Weed Control Act, Agricultural Pest Control Act, Animal Health Act, Soil Conservation Act,* and the *Agricultural Service Board Act* as these relate to each municipality.

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[Photos Attached – enclosure]

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Telephone: Fax: Toll Free: Email: 780–895-2233 780-895-7404 877-895-2233 info@lamontcounty.ca Photo #1 – Lamont County Agricultural Fieldman Terry Eleniak is recognized for 25 years with the AAAF. L-R: Sebastien Dustrisac (past AAAF president), Terry Eleniak, Lamont County Ag. Fieldman, and Jane Fulton, current elected AAAF President.



*Photo #2 – Lamont County Agricultural Fieldman Terry Eleniak is recognized for Outstanding Supporter of Agriculture with the AAAS.* 

