

## Alexander, Robert

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For thirty-seven years, Bob Alexander has practiced and promoted the art and science of rangeland management. From the field offices of the Bureau of Land Management - to the desert rangelands of the Middle East - to the Beltway environment of Washington, DC - and finally the BLM State Office in New Mexico, Bob has constantly worked for conservation of rangelands.

Bob has numerous qualities that have served him and his profession well. There are two that are of particular significance in support of this award nomination.

First, he has never ceased to learn, adapt, and adopt. Even after over 30 years of experiences, he still looks to understand new information, develop new ideas, and influence public land policy. For example, he was an important collaborator and co-author in the 2003 publication on development of state-and-transition models for rangelands published in the Journal of Range Management. He was one of two people that started that program that resulted in this publication and that continues today.

Second, Bob constantly works to bring different groups, agendas, and perspectives together into collaborative efforts. Whether as a Section President or as a range conservationist he has worked to get people and groups to communicate and move forward. His work with the rangelands standards and guidelines is one example.

Bob is a dedicated, hard working, effective, and creative range manager. He is deserving of this award from the Society for Range Management.

