

## **Tremblay, Michel E**

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Michel Tremblay is presented the Outstanding Achievement Award for his continued service and dedication to improving the management and conservation of rangeland resources and the rangeland management profession. He has been an active member of the Northern Great Plains Section for over 15 years, taking on a wide variety of executive roles.

As Provincial Forage Specialist for Saskatchewan since 1992, Michel has played a key role in delivering sound technical advice to other government departments, the forage industry and forage producers. Growing up in an agriculture environment Michel has complimented that knowledge with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and a Master of Science in Range Management. Michel's agriculture background combined with his knowledge of Saskatchewan's agriculture, livestock and forage industry, has led him to become a key range management professional in Saskatchewan that other agencies and producers count on for extension information. He has authored numerous fact sheets and helped revise range related documents - these publications are considered as keystone information on forages and range management for Saskatchewan. Michel has continued to follow developments in the native forages industry and promoted them where feasible. He also has played a key role in promoting the wise use of native rangelands to wide audiences in our province.

Michel has been instrumental in his role as Provincial Forage Specialist with Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food in bringing together and working with partner agencies to develop programs and extension materials that benefit Saskatchewan's livestock and forage industry. He has been influential in ensuring the long-term viability of the Saskatchewan Forage Council through fundraising, carrying out executive roles and basic networking with industry. At a national level he has also played a leadership role in developing Saskatchewan's forage industry. He is committed to continually developing professionally by reading new information in range management journals and publications and attending workshops and conferences throughout Canada and the United States

His long-term service and passion in advancing the art and science of rangeland management makes him a most worthy recipient for the SRM 2006 Outstanding Achievement Award.

