

Outstanding Achievement Award Recipients

Research/Academia

Dr. Ann L. Hild

Dr. Ann Hild is an extraordinary professional. No matter what assignment she accepts, whether as a mentoring professor of undergraduate and graduate students, a SRM society officer, a research colleague, a symposium organizer, or working in any other capacity, she will devote energy, creativity, and moxie to the effort. Everything she attempts has been entered into with her characteristic determination for success coupled with her rapport with colleagues. Such a combination of personal traits is rare and commendable.



Her achievements include honors from the University of Wyoming including Outstanding Faculty, Outstanding Advisor, and Outstanding Dissertation Advisor Awards. On a broader scale she has served the Society for Range Management as a Director (2006-2009) and on numerous committees, and is an ongoing member of the Executive Committee of the Shrub Research Consortium.

Dr. Hild's research has provided new tools and prescriptions for monitoring and managing rangelands and understanding the community ecology of shrublands, grasslands, riparian areas, and pastures. She and her students have improved our understanding of invasive species biology and control, the impacts of livestock grazing practices, and have provided prescriptions for rare plant conservation. Her outstanding ability to define and address the theoretical and applied aspects of rangeland research and to challenge and inspire her students prepares them for the issues and problems facing rangeland managers and researchers now and into the future.