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### SVEJCAR RECEIVES SUSTAINED LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE SOCIETY FOR RANGE MANAGEMENT (SRM)

Dr. Tony J. Svejcar of Burns, Oregon, received a *Sustained Lifetime Achievement Award* at the Society for Range Management's (SRM) 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting, Technical Training and Tradeshow Sparks, Nevada which concluded earlier this month. The *Sustained Lifetime Achievement Award* is presented by the Society to members for long-term contributions to the art and science of range management and to the Society for Range Management.

Dr. Anthony ("Tony") Svejcar is a preeminent scientist who is nationally and internationally recognized for his many significant contributions to rangeland science and management. He initiated the Agricultural Research Service's CO<sub>2</sub> Flux Network, an effort designed to identify the influence of U.S. rangelands on the global carbon cycle. Dr. Svejcar also pioneered use of the stable isotope <sup>13</sup>C for carbon cycling research. Dr. Svejcar and his co-investigators have tested and refined an array of techniques for reducing or managing expanding populations of western juniper and he has made lasting contributions to our understanding of the seedling ecology of native plant species in the sagebrush steppe.

Dr. Svejcar's work has generated over 200 publications, making it is easy to look past what is perhaps his greatest accomplishment. Not only does Dr. Svejcar possess a superior scientific aptitude, but his humility, drive, leadership skills, and strong sense of purpose, enable him to leverage that aptitude by helping other researchers and students to realize their own potential. Nowhere is this more evident than at the Eastern Oregon Agricultural Research Center in Burns, Oregon, where he was Research Leader for ARS for nearly 30 years. During that time he selflessly gave of his talents to build a regional center of excellence for customer-driven rangeland research whose influence now operates at the global scale.

Dr. Svejcar's innovative science, professional leadership, and service to our profession are the embodiment of the high expectations set forth in this award category. It is for these reasons that we presented Dr. Tony J. Svejcar with the Society for Range Management's *Sustained Lifetime Achievement Award* for 2018.



2018 SRM Sustained Lifetime Achievement award recipient Dr. Tony J. Svejcar with (2017) SRM President Dr. Larry D. Howery



**MISSION:** Providing leadership for the Stewardship of Rangelands based on sound ecological principles.

**VISION:** A well-trained and highly motivated group of professionals and rangelands users working with productive, sustainable rangeland ecosystems.