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## GARDNER RECEIVES OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR RESEARCH/ACADEMIA from the Society for Range Management (SRM)

Dr. Wendy Christine Gardner of Kamloomps, British Columbia, received the Outstanding Achievement Award for Research/Academia at the Society for Range Management's (SRM) 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held in St. George, Utah, January 29-February2, 2017. The Outstanding Achievement Award is presented by the Society for Range Management for outstanding achievement to members and other qualified individuals and groups working with rangelands.

Dr. Wendy Gardner, Professor at Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, BC, Canada is remarkable! She has received local, regional, and world-wide recognition for her tireless research and natural resource publications (both at the technical, peer-reviewed level and at the equally important lay-public information level). She has a strong record of grants(wo)manship, publication, graduate student preparation, and undergraduate education & inspiration.

Wendy has generously contributed her time to the BC SRM Chapter, the Pacific Northwest Section

SRM, and the Parent Society of the Society for Range Management. Beyond that she is active and influential in a number of allied natural research organizations and several community level clubs and organizations. Her passion is undergraduate training.

Dr. Gardner firmly believes that education is the key to success as we bring the challenges of feeding an ever increasing human population while at the same time maintaining a quality environment in which they can live. She has the talent, determination, drive, and ability to make a significant impact on our world and on the people who populate it.

Dr. Wendy Gardner is unique. She is wonderfully capable as has been stressed above; but she also has the kind of personality which draws people to her. She has a wonderful and important message to relate....and she has the demonstrated interpersonal and technical skills to back that message with science and articulate appeal.



SRM's 2017 Outstanding Achievement Award for Research/Academia recipient Dr. Wendy Gardner with SRM President (2016) Dr. Val Jo Anderson

Dr. Gardner is exactly the sort of person who has academic recognition deserving of an Outstanding Achievement award within the Society for Range Management. She has earned the respect, backing, and support of her home Section, The Pacific Northwest, and the broader international, Society for Range Management.



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