

Lee Moltzahn, RTAg – Outstanding Young Registered Technologist in Agrology

Lee Moltzahn RTAg has always had a passion for the prairies. He was raised in the small community of Nobleford and his love for the wide, open spaces of southern Alberta continued to grow while spending time on his grandparent's farms in the Nobleford and Fort Macleod areas. Desiring a career that complemented this passion, Lee attended Lethbridge College and completed a diploma in Renewable Resource Management and then continued his education at the University of Lethbridge, receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Science in 2009. After a short stint with the Alberta Government in Fisheries, Lee took a job with Alberta Conservation Association as a Rangeland Agrologist, working primarily on the MULTISAR Program: a voluntary, landowner-driven, habitat stewardship program focused on grassland species-at-risk. Another highlight of his career has been his involvement with Southern Alberta Youth Range Days; a program for youth to learn and be inspired to promote stewardship of southern Alberta's native, working agricultural rangelands. Lee has been a member of the Grassland Restoration Forum Technical Advisory Committee and the Society for Range Management for a number of years. In January 2020, Lee chose to shift career paths and took a job with the Nature Conservancy of Canada as a Natural Area Manager for the Southern Foothills. Lee is married to Christina and they have two young daughters and reside on a small farm in the Fort Macleod area. Outside of work, they are actively involved in local community affairs and raising Scottish Blackface sheep, llamas, and a variety of chickens.