

NATURAL RESOURCES AWARD



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The Kansas Farm Bureau Natural Resources Award program honors members using time-honored and cutting edge conservation practices to protect and improve our state's natural resources. Winners will be chosen by their peers serving on the KFB Environmental and Natural Resources Committee.

These good stewards will serve as mentors for KFB members and nonmembers alike to help demonstrate innovative agricultural production and resource conservation to an increasingly urban world.

Instructions: The application may be manually or electronically completed and submitted to the County Farm Bureau in which the applicant holds membership. Each county Farm Bureau may submit one application for the statewide competition.

From the county nominees, district winners will be chosen and forwarded to the State Environmental and Natural Resources (ENR) Committee, which will then select first, second and third place state winners. The state winners will be recognized during the KFB annual meeting awards ceremony.

Eligibility: Any farmer or rancher who is a member of a Kansas county Farm Bureau. No sitting ENR members are eligible for this award.

Award Purpose: This award recognizes and promotes practices used by farmers and ranchers that help protect our soil, water, grasslands and air. The sharing of innovative conservation practices helps our members and demonstrates to others the good work being done in production agriculture.

Awards & Recognition:

- Each **county** winner will receive a Natural Resources sign to display.
- **District** winners not in the top 3 places will receive a plaque and \$100.
- 3rd place in the **state** competition will receive a monetary award totaling \$250, a plaque and overnight lodging at state annual meeting.
- 2nd place in the **state** competition will receive a monetary award totaling \$500, a plaque and overnight lodging at state annual meeting.
- 1st place in the **state** competition will receive a framed print, a monetary award totaling \$1,000, a plaque, and overnight lodging at state annual meeting.

OPERATION DESCRIPTION

In the space provided, describe your (the applicant's) farming and/or ranching operation (history, commodities grown, livestock raised, etc.).

CONSERVATION PRACTICES

Describe the type of conservation practices employed (crop/grassland management such as no-till, cover crops, wind breaks or rotational grazing, Rx burning strategies, water quality protection efforts such as buffer strips or alternative watering sources, water conservation practices that use precision irrigation or participation in water conservation areas, conservation programs such as EQIP, CSP, CRP or WHIP, and farm chemical management, fuel storage, employee training and education).

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NATURAL RESOURCES AWARD APPLICATION

Applicants

Name(s) _____

Mailing Address

Email Address _____

Phone _____ **(C)** _____ **(H)**

County _____

How would you like your name or operation inscribed on a plaque if your application wins?

Kansas Farm Bureau District _____

Please complete the application then mail or email it to the county Farm Bureau office that you hold membership in. **The deadline for all county entries to be returned to KFB is May 15.**

❖ **County Farm Bureaus;** please have an authorized county representative sign/date indicating this application represents your designee for statewide NRA competition.

Signature with Title

date



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