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British Columbia rancher named 2020 BMO Celebrating Women in Agriculture Honouree

Regina, Saskatchewan – On International Women’s Day, Canadian Western Agribition (CWA) and BMO are pleased to announce Linda Allison as the 2020 BMO Celebrating Women in Agriculture honouree. Each year, the BMO Celebrating Women in Agriculture program recognizes the outstanding achievement of women in the agriculture industry across Canada.

Linda Allison is a 4th generation rancher out of Princeton, B.C. and has spent years as a leader in the B.C. cattle industry. Linda is a Director at Canada Beef, spent nine terms with B.C. Cattlemen’s Association, and was the Chair of the Canadian Beef Cattle Research, Marketing Development, and Promotion Agency. Linda has also been involved with the Southern Interior Stockman’s Association and B.C. Agriculture Council’s Agriculture Environment Committee. Linda is a strong advocate for Canadian agriculture and has experience working with a diverse group of producers, government officials, and industry stakeholders.

“We are proud to present this honour to Linda. Her advocacy and hard work in the B.C. cattle industry make her a great selection for the BMO Celebrating Women in Agriculture program.” says CWA President, Chris Lees.

“BMO’s support for the agriculture industry has spanned more than 200 years, and we’re proud to recognize the contributions women leaders like Linda have made to both the agriculture industry as well as their communities,” Lynda Taylor, Senior Vice President and Head, Agriculture and Agribusiness, BMO Bank of Montreal. “The BMO Celebrating Women in Agriculture recognition honours the incredible leadership and achievements of women in agriculture, and we look forward to seeing Linda’s continued impact on the industry.”

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Canadian Western Agribition (CWA), located in Regina, Saskatchewan, is the best beef show on the continent and the largest livestock show in Canada. The show is anchored by beef cattle and features horses, bison, sheep, alpacas, an extensive agribusiness trade show and professional rodeo. CWA continues to promote the expansion, development, and interest in agriculture. CWA’s 50th show will take place November 22 – 27, 2021.

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