

Special Area No. 2 Agricultural Service Board

Member-at-Large Application

APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 1, 2025

Special Area No. 2 invites applications for “Members-At-Large” to serve on the Agricultural Service Board (ASB). The ASB is a special committee appointed by the Special Areas Board to address agricultural concerns within the municipality and encourage sustainable, viable agriculture operations. This is done through developing and evaluating agricultural policies and programs to meet the needs of agricultural producers in Special Area No. 2. Applicants should be well versed in a wide variety of agricultural topics; must reside and actively farm or ranch within the boundaries of Special Area No. 2; and be able to attend four board meetings per year, the optional Regional and Provincial ASB Conferences, and participating in other committees and events related to the ASB.

As per the *Agricultural Service Board Act*, the duties of an ASB are:

- (a) to act as an advisory body and to assist the council and the Minister, in matters of mutual concern,*
- (b) to advise on and to help organize and direct weed and pest control and soil and water conservation programs,*
- (c) to assist in the control of animal disease under the Animal Health Act,*
- (d) to promote, enhance and protect viable and sustainable agriculture with a view to improving the economic viability of the agricultural producer, and*
- (e) to promote and develop agricultural policies to meet the needs of the municipality.*

Membership appointments may be made by the Special Areas Board for a term of four years with eligibility for reappointment. Current membership of the board includes two Advisory Councilors and up to 5 Members-at-Large. The Special Areas Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications. Considerations will be made to ensure even geographical representation.

Additional information regarding the ASB is available at www.specialareas.ab.ca/services/agriculture-services and includes the Special Areas Board [Policy 03-01 The Establishment & Operation of ASBs](#), or at www.agriculturalserviceboards.com, including the ASB Member Orientation Manual.

You may also wish to contact the Agricultural Fieldman for more information at:

Jesse Williams,
Special Area No. 2 Agricultural Fieldman
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INFORMATION

First Name

Last Name

Mailing Address

Legal Land

**Description (home
quarter)**

Email

Phone Number

- | | | |
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| 1. Are you a resident of Special Area No.2? If yes, how long? | Yes | No |
| 2. Are you actively farming or ranching within Special Area No. 2? | Yes | No |
| 3. Are you an employee of Special Areas Board? | Yes | No |

Personal Information and Confidentiality Statement

The personal information in this Agricultural Service Board Member-at-Large application form is collected under the authority of s. 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP).

In submitting this application, you authorize Special Areas Board to disclose the information provided on this form and any supplementary information to the Special Areas Board for the purpose of determining appointments. If appointed, your name would appear in the record of the meeting as well as a committee member listing, which are public documents. Information such as phone number, address, and email address may be made public.

I accept these terms:

Signature:

Date:

APPLICATION

Please answer each of the following questions, in relation to the Agricultural Service Board (ASB) and describe your relevant education, expertise, work or real-life experience. You may wish to submit the answers in video or written format.

1. Please describe your farming or ranching operation within Special Area No. 2.
2. Do you have any previous board experience? Please elaborate.
3. Do you have any special agricultural skills or knowledge? Explain how Special Area No. 2 will benefit from your participation on the ASB.
4. Are there any professional or personal constraints to your time that could interfere with serving on the Board?
5. Describe your understanding of the purpose and function of the ASB and how it operates.
6. What are you hoping to get out of being on the ASB, how would this be a satisfying experience for you?
7. Do you foresee any limitation to being on the ASB in terms of personal interests that could conflict? If so, please elaborate.
8. What do you see as some of the challenges Special Area No. 2 agricultural producers are facing currently? What solutions would you recommend?

Any additional information you would like to add?

Declaration

I declare that the information provided is accurate or correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date:

Due date January 1, 2025

Submit completed application forms to:
Jesse Williams, Special Area No.2 Agricultural Fieldman
Email: jesse.williams@specialareas.ab.ca