

WAEA News Update December 2021



Start Planning for Sante Fe!

The 2022 WAEA annual meeting will be held in-person in Sante Fe, NM. Additional information can be found [here](#). As detailed in this newsletter, the WAEA will offer its normal slate of sessions and awards in this summer's meeting. The 2022 Annual Meeting of the Western Extension Committee (WEC) will be held in conjunction with the WAEA annual meeting, June 26-June 28.

Please consider a self-nomination or nominating one of your colleagues for these available awards. All awards will be presented during the WAEA meeting. Also, consider submitting a paper or organized symposium for our upcoming meeting.

Selected paper and symposium deadlines are February 3 and award deadlines are February 18. Please see the additional details contained in this newsletter for submission information. Encourage your graduate students to submit papers and apply for the graduate student paper competition. This is a great opportunity for graduate students to gain experience in presenting their research, expand their networks, and compete against other top students.

WAEA Officer Election Results

Many thanks to all the members that were willing to stand for election and those that voted. Congratulations to **Karina Schoengold** our new president-elect, and elected directors **Vardges Hovhannisyan** and **Deepthi Kolady**. All elected officers have a three-year service commitment. We are thankful for their willingness to devote time to the WAEA.

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Important Dates:

Selected Paper & Organized Symposia Deadline: February 3, 2022

Awards and Fellows Nomination Deadline: February 18, 2022

Future Meetings:

2022 WAEA Annual Meeting
June 26 – 28, 2022
Santa Fe, NM

2023 Joint CAES/WAEA Meeting
July 2023
Whistler, BC, Canada

Deadlines for Selected Papers, Organized Symposia, and Awards

Selected Presentation Papers: Here is a link for submitting two-page selected paper abstracts:

<https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/WAEA2022>

The due date for selected paper abstracts (both WAEA and WEC submissions) is **February 3, 2022**.

Organized Symposia: The call for organized symposia is on page 4. Please submit organized symposia proposals to Glynn Tonsor in pdf format at gtonsor@ksu.edu by **February 3, 2022**.

Awards: Nominations are due **February 18, 2022**. Please submit materials directly to the appropriate subcommittee chair. Award descriptions are available on pages 4-8 of this newsletter.

- Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Awards (<10 Years): Jason Bergtold, bergtold@ksu.edu
- Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Awards (>10 Years): Shannon Ferrell, shannon.l.ferrell@okstate.edu
- Graduate Paper or Master's Thesis Award: Jeff Luckstead, jluckstead@wsu.edu
- Outstanding Published Research Award: Dustin Pendell, dpendell@ksu.edu
- Outstanding Extension Project Awards: Kate Fuller, kate.fuller@montana.edu
- Outstanding Extension Career Awards: Shannon Niebergs, sneibergs@wsu.edu
- WAEA Fellow Award: Eric Belasco, eric.belasco@montana.edu

Call for Selected Papers

2022 Western Agricultural Economics Association Meeting, June 26 – June 28, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Eligibility: Proposals on any aspect of agricultural and resource economics, including teaching, research, and/or extension are encouraged. At least one author must be a member of WAEA. Additionally, by May 1, 2022, the presenting author must be identified and registered for the Annual Meeting and a current member of the WAEA for an accepted paper to be included in the program. No member may submit more than one abstract as the presenting author, but an individual may be an author on multiple abstracts. Papers should be original, not submitted elsewhere for presentation, and not previously presented at another agricultural economics meeting.

Paper Selection: Papers will undergo a double-blind peer review process. The Selected Paper Review Committee will prioritize paper acceptance based upon a rank order of scores on a paper review rubric. The final decision to accept or reject a paper will be made by the Selected Paper Committee Chairs. Notification of paper acceptance will take place mid-March 2022. Authors and co-authors who withdraw or do not present accepted selected papers, except for unavoidable emergencies, will be tracked and this information may be used as part of the selection criteria for next year.

Submission Guidelines: Proposals must be submitted electronically through the link provided on WAEA's website (www.waeaonline.org) or directly at the link below. Proposals must be submitted in pdf format and cannot exceed two pages using double-spacing and a 12-point font with one-inch margins on all sides; however, references may be included on a third page. To facilitate the blind review process, please do not place the author(s) name(s) on the abstract. Author information will be collected separately during the electronic submission process. A suggested format for the abstract is as follows: Title, Problem Statement, Objectives, Data and Methods, Results or Expected Results, and Implications.

Submission Deadline: February 3, 2022, midnight (PST). Proposals can be uploaded to the conference software via <https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/WAEA2022>

Graduate Paper Competition: The WAEA wants to particularly encourage the submission of quality papers by graduate students. To this end, the WAEA plans to hold a contest for the outstanding selected papers submitted by graduate students. To be eligible for this competition, a student must: a) Be the lead author on the selected paper; b) Indicate in the submission process that the paper is to be considered in the competition; c) Be a member of WAEA as of February 3, 2022, and d) Present the paper in person at the WAEA meetings in Santa Fe, NM. Submissions must include a draft of their paper and are due to Chris Bastian (bastian@uwyo.edu) by May 31, 2022.

Selected Extension or Teaching Presentation/Western Extension Committee Sessions: Proposals on any aspect of agricultural and resource economics that address agricultural Extension or teaching topics are encouraged. Extension and teaching abstracts may be submitted as paper presentations. All abstracts submitted to this topic will undergo a peer review process led by a committee from the WEC. A portion of the accepted proposals will be included in WEC track sessions. It is not necessary to be a member of WEC to submit a proposal to this topic code; all submissions related to Extension or teaching issues should be submitted to this topic code. Additional submission guidelines for WEC abstracts are available on page 8.

Submission Procedures: After navigating to the conference software website, (<https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/WAEA2022>):

1. If you have not submitted through this system in the past, you will need to create a user account by clicking the “Registration” tab in the online system.
2. After you log in to the system, click “+ Create new submission” in the Author Console.
3. Enter the title of your proposal.
4. The section “AUTHORS” should list your e-mail address, Name, Organization, and Country.
5. To add more authors, please enter the e-mail address of your co-author and click “+ Add.” Fill in the fields to provide the name, organization, and country of your co-author and click “+ Add.” Repeat this process to add more co-authors.
6. Select the submission category. If you are submitting to the Selected Paper category, please choose the specific topic area that best characterizes your paper. If you are a graduate student who does *not* wish to participate in the graduate student paper competition, please use the Selected Paper category.
7. To upload your proposal in PDF format, click “Upload from Computer” and select the file.
8. Click “Submit.” You will receive a notice of your submission.

Any questions should be directed to the Selected Paper Committee Chairs, Lisa Elliott at lisa@agrivar.ag or Kristi Hansen at kristi.hansen@uwyo.edu.

2022 WAEA Membership Renewal

The season to renew your WAEA membership is upon us. You may renew through the AAEA or you can renew online or mail via this link. <http://www.waeaonline.org/membership>.

Call for WAEA Organized Symposia Proposals

We plan to have a couple WAEA organized symposia sessions in Sante Fe, NM. Each symposium should consist of two or more speakers with ample time devoted to discussion, but we are open to a variety of formats (panels, speakers with discussants, audience participation). At least one author must be a member of the WAEA.

If a symposium is accepted, all presenters need to register for the annual meeting by May 1, 2022 to have the symposium included in the program. The proposal should include 1) title of symposium; 2) motivation for need and importance of the topic; 3) potential presenters, including a brief description of their papers or discussion topics; and 4) session format (panel, short presentation or other structure). Please submit proposals via email to Glynn Tonsor in pdf format at gtonsor@ksu.edu by **February 3, 2022**.

2022 WAEA for General Award Nominations

The deadline for all submissions is **Monday, February 18, 2022**. For questions, please contact both Award Committee Chairs: Kynda Curtis (kynda.curtis@usu.edu) and Hernan Tejada (htegeda@uidaho.edu).

Please submit your award nomination directly to the award chair listed for each award below.

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Awards

- With less than 10 years' experience
- With more than 10 years' experience

Purpose of the Awards: To recognize outstanding teaching of students and related activities by members of the Association.

Nature of the Awards: Two awards may be given.

(1) The first shall be called "Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association with less than 10 years' experience."

(2) The second will be called "Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association with more than 10 years' experience."

The winner of each award will receive a plaque. This award will be presented annually at the WAEA meeting.

Eligibility Requirements: Nominees must be members of the Association and be actively involved in teaching and related activities. Previous award winners are not eligible for the same award.

Evaluation Criteria:

- (1) Enthusiasm for teaching,
- (2) Availability and helpfulness to students,
- (3) Mastery of subject matter,
- (4) Effective explanation of class materials,
- (5) Class preparation, planning, and organization,
- (6) Opportunities for class participation and discussion,
- (7) Creativity in designing and using innovative teaching methods,
- (8) Impact on student learning, based on teaching and peer evaluations, and
- (9) Impact on departmental teaching program.

Procedures:

- (1) Nominations may be made by Association members and/or departments located within the geographic scope of the Association.
- (2) Nomination packet should include:
 - a. A letter of nomination (limited to no more than three pages, single spaced) summarizing the teaching accomplishments of the nominee with respect to the criteria outlined above.
 - b. A maximum of three letters of recommendation (each letter should be less than two pages, single spaced).
 - c. Supplementary materials (e.g. teaching evaluations), no more than three pages, single spaced.
 - d. Publications, videos, etc. may be included.
- (3) Electronic files of all materials shall be sent to the chair of the awards committee. Supporting materials may be scanned and submitted.
- (4) Selection of the award winner(s) will be made by a committee

Send nominations in pdf form to Jason Bergtold (bergtold@ksu.edu) for nominations with **less than** 10 years of experience and Shannon Ferrell (Shannon.I.ferrell@okstate.edu) for nominations with **more than** 10 years of experience.

Graduate Paper or Master's Thesis Award

Purpose of the Award: To recognize outstanding research by graduate students from WAEA institutions.

Nature of the Award: The award will be called "Outstanding Graduate Published Paper or Thesis Award for the Western Agricultural Economics Association." This award will be made annually at the WAEA meeting.

Eligibility Requirements: Nominees must have completed the master's degree at a WAEA institution during the 2021 calendar year. Only thesis or graduate published papers bearing a completion date within the calendar year prior to the association meeting may be submitted from a WAEA institution.

Evaluation criteria:

- (1) Importance of the problem or topic
- (2) Significance of the results
- (3) Quality of the work
- (4) Effectiveness of reporting

Procedures: Nominations must be made by departments located within the geographic scope of the Association. Only one nomination per institution can be submitted. A letter of nomination and an electronic copy (pdf format) of the thesis needs to be emailed to the chair of the selection committee. The letter of nomination should summarize the research of the nominee with respect to the criteria outlined above.

Send nominations in pdf form to Jeff Luckstead, jluckstead@wsu.edu.

Outstanding Published Research Award

Purpose of the Award: To recognize outstanding research by members of the Association.

Nature of the Award: The award will be called “Outstanding Published Research Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association.” This award shall be made annually at the WAEA meeting. The winner(s) will receive a certificate.

Eligibility Requirements: At least one of the authors must be a member of the Association in the year the paper was published. Only research publications that appeared in print copies in 2021 will be considered (i.e., bearing a 2021 publication date when printed in the journal). Articles published in the *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics* (JARE) are not eligible. Textbooks will not be considered published research for the purpose of this award.

Eligibility Criteria:

- (1) Importance and significance of the results,
- (2) Quality of the work, and
- (3) Effectiveness of reporting

Procedures:

- (1) Nominations must be made by WAEA members and/or departments within the WAEA’s geographic scope
- (2) A pdf file of each publication will be emailed to the chair of the selection committee.
- (3) Selection of the award winner(s) will be made by a committee.

Send nominations in pdf form to Dustin Pendell, dpendell@ksu.edu.

Outstanding Extension Program Awards

- For Project
- For Career

Purpose of the Awards: To recognize outstanding extension programs by members of the Association.

Nature of the Awards: Two awards may be given annually at the WAEA meeting and winner(s) will receive a plaque.

- (1) The first shall be called the “Outstanding Extension Program Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association, for Project.” This award shall be given to programs that are of less than or equal to eight years duration.
- (2) The second award shall be called “Outstanding Extension Program Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association, for Career.” This award shall be given to programs that are of more than eight years duration.

Eligibility Requirements: Nominee(s) must be actively involved in programs of outreach/Extension education for audiences external to the university. The program may be that of either an individual or a group of individuals working as a team. If given to a team, at least one member of the team must be a member of the Association. If given to an individual, the winner must be a member.

Evaluation Criteria:

- (1) Importance of the program to the target audience (audience demand, identified problem, etc.),
- (2) Effectiveness of the program in terms of achievement of results/outcomes for the target audience,
- (3) Appropriateness and effectiveness of program outputs (materials, videos, etc.),
- (4) Effectiveness of program communication and promotional methods, and
- (5) Evidence of accomplishment of program objectives and short, medium, and long-term target audience impact(s) (as appropriate).

Procedures:

(1) Nominations must be made by Association members and/or departments located within the geographic scope of the Association.

(2) Nomination Packet:

a. The nominator should submit a letter of nomination, supplementary tables and supporting items if desired. The letter of nomination should summarize the accomplishments of the nominee with respect to the criteria outlined above. The nomination letter is limited to no more than three pages (single spaced).

b. Summary tables may be added to the letter of nomination to provide supplemental and supporting data. NOTE: Summary tables will not be counted as part of the three-page limit for the nomination letter and will also not be counted as one of the three supporting items.

c. A maximum of three supporting items (letters of recommendation, publications, videos, etc.) may also be included. Each letter of recommendation, publication, video, etc. counts as one time.

(3) Electronic files of all materials shall be emailed to the chair of the awards committee. Supporting materials may be scanned and submitted.

(4) Selection of the award winner(s) will be made by a committee.

Send nominations to Kate Fuller (kate.fuller@montana.edu) for project nominations and Shannon Niebergs (sneibergs@wsu.edu) for career nominations.

Call for WAEA Fellow Award Nominations

Deadline: February 18, 2022

Send Applications to Eric Belasco, eric.belasco@montana.edu

Purpose of the Award: Grant the highest recognition to members making an enduring contribution over their career to agricultural or other type of applied, resource, and/or environmental economics in the Western states and the WAEA.

Nominees must be a current member of the association, and have demonstrated active involvement over their career as a member of the association (no specific number of years is required, but this is considered a career-spanning award representing work and involvement across decades).

Nominees must demonstrate excellence in some combination of the following areas of performance:

1. Basic and applied economics research
2. Integration of knowledge (textbook writing or synthetic reviews)
3. Service or outreach drawing on economic expertise
4. Teaching (undergraduate and/or graduate)
5. Administration (institution and/or WAEA)

Nomination Process: Any member of the association may nominate any living member for the honor of election as WAEA fellow by submitting a nomination no later than midnight, February 18, 2022.

Documentation shall include a brief vitae (not to exceed six pages, double-spaced) along with a nomination letter describing why the person is worthy of the honor.

A nominee must be a current member of the association, and the nomination packet must also include a description of the nominee's years of membership and activities in the WAEA (serving on the executive committee/council, award committees, editorial council, and regular attendance of WAEA).

The total nomination package will be limited to a maximum of eight typed, double-spaced pages.

WEC CALL FOR EXTENSION SYMPOSIUM PROPOSALS

The Western Extension Committee (WEC) is seeking organized symposia proposals for the 2022 annual meeting to be held in conjunction with the WAEA meetings in Santa Fe, New Mexico June 26-28, 2022. Each symposium should consist of two or more speakers with ample time devoted to discussion. We are open to a variety of formats (panels, speakers with discussants, audience participation). At least one presenter must be a member of the WAEA.

If a symposium is accepted, all presenters must register for the annual WAEA meeting by May 1, 2022 to have the symposium included in the program. The proposal should include: 1) A designation as either a Farm Management or Agricultural Marketing symposium; 2) Title of symposium; 3) Motivation for need and importance of the topic; 4) Potential presenters, including a brief description of their papers or discussion topics; and 5) Session format (panel, short presentation or other structure). Proposals should be submitted to either the WEC Extension track or to a WAEA track, not both.

Please submit proposals via email to WEC Selected Presentation/Symposium Chair Becca Jablonski in PDF format at becca.jablonski@colostate.edu by February 3, 2022.

WEC CALL FOR SELECTED EXTENSION PRESENTATION PROPOSALS

The WEC encourages its membership and WAEA members to consider submitting a proposal for a Selected Extension Presentation that outlines innovative Extension programming on current issues that addresses identified clientele needs with measureable impacts or results.

Eligibility: Proposals on any aspect of extension work in agricultural and resource economics are encouraged. At least one presenter must be a member of WAEA. Additionally, by May 1, 2022, the presenter must be identified and registered for the Annual Meeting and a current member of the WAEA for an accepted presentation abstract to be included in the program. *No member may submit more than one abstract as presenting author for both WAEA and WEC tracks, but an individual may be an author on multiple abstracts.* Presentations should be original, not submitted elsewhere, and not previously presented at another agricultural economics meeting. Proposals should be submitted to either the WEC Extension track or to a WAEA track, not both.

Presentation Selection: Selected presentations will undergo a blind, peer-review process by the WEC Selected Extension Presentation Review Committee. The committee will prioritize presentation acceptance based upon a rank order of scores via a presentation review rubric. The final decision to accept or reject a presentation will be made by the WEC Selected Extension Presentation Committee Chair. Notification of presentation acceptance will take place on or before mid-March 2019. Presenters and co-presenters that withdraw or do not present an accepted selected presentation, except for unavoidable emergencies, will be tracked and this information may be used as part of the selection criteria in subsequent years.

Submission Guidelines: Proposals must be submitted electronically through the link provided on WAEA's website (www.waeaonline.org) or directly at: <https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/WAEA2022>. Proposals must be submitted in pdf format and cannot exceed two pages using double-spacing and a 12-point font with one-inch margins on all sides; however, references may be included on a third page. To facilitate the blind review process, please do not include the presenter(s) name(s) on the abstract. Presenter information will be collected separately during the electronic submission process. A suggested format for the proposed presentation is as follows: Title, Problem or Issue, Identified Clientele Need, Objectives, Methods and/or Data, Results or Expected Results, and Impacts.

Submission Deadline: February 3, 2022, midnight (PST). Proposals can be uploaded to the conference software via <https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/WAEA2022>

If you have any questions or concerns about the WAEA or information contained in this newsletter, please don't hesitate to contact me by e-mail (gtonsor@ksu.edu). Our next newsletter will arrive in the spring with more details on our upcoming joint conference.

Sincerely,



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2021-22 WAEA President