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Walter Paszkowski receives PREDA Awards of Excellence

The Peace Region Economic Development Alliance (PREDA) presented its Citizen of the Year Award to County of Grande Prairie resident and Peace region supporter at its first PREDA Awards of Excellence at their AGM and Banquet, at the Dunvegan Motor Inn in Fairview, November 9, 2013.

The Citizen of the Year award is given to an individual who has shown a long term commitment to the PREDA community. “PREDA has so many examples of people, businesses and municipalities that are truly regional players,” stated PREDA Chair Elaine Garrow, “Walter is a glowing example of that,” she added.

Paszkowski is well known in the region for his role at a Government of Alberta Minister, Peace region MLA and most recently in his role as the Economic development Officer for the County of Grande Prairie, said Garrow.

But Paszkowski has also played important roles as the Chair of the of the Federal Panel for Rail Freight Service Review, Chair of the Canola Council of Canada and President of the Alberta Canola Growers.

Paszkowski received an outstanding achievement award from the Canadian Seed Growers Association as well as honours and lifetime membership from the Canola Council of Canada and 2011 he was appointed to the board of directors of the Alberta Order of Excellence Council.

“It is an honor to be able to award the first ever PREDA award of excellence to Walter,” said Garrow

The PREDA Award of Excellence also honored Peter Teichrob with Happy Valley RV for their contributions to the region, and the County of Northern Lights for its work in regional partnership.

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