## MRWCC Best-Beef Stewardship Contest entry information:

Please ensure entry information is no longer than 1 page in length. The MRWCC is not promoting any production model as superior to any other. Feedlot – dry lot backgrounding/finishing, grass finished, etc. are all valuable production models. The intent of the project is to develop a stronger relationship with consumers by telling our local producer stories. Please ensure your application describes your story, family history, community involvement, and connection to the land, water, and wildlife.

This is an opportunity to showcase why grazing livestock are valuable to our watershed, communities, and economy!

## To Apply Please Include:

- 1. Farm/Ranch/Family Name
- **2. Contact information** (including email, phone, mailing address)
- 3. Description of your operation

In one page or less, please highlight how you manage water, land (cultivated and tame/native pasture), and wildlife on your operation deeded or lease. Include details such as operation history, breed selection, grazing management, unique challenges or production tools, innovations, involvement with stewardship programs or beneficial management projects, 4H, Ag Society, or community group involvement, work with organizations such as Cows and Fish, ACA, MRWCC, Multisar, Ducks Unlimited, Operation Grasslands, County Ag Service Board programs, grazing school participation, sustainable beef production programs, farm safety, etc.

To participate as a top 10 finalist, you must agree to allow your operation to be showcased with promotional media in the form of written highlights, video, and social media promotion for the MRWCC and project.

Applicants must also agree that if selected for the top 10 Beef competition they agree to provide up to 10lbs of Government inspected ground beef and two select steak cuts to be professionally judged on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2020. Ground product will be cooked as sample sliders sold as a fundraiser for the MRWCC and form the Community Choice Award on Canada Day.

Participants may also be asked to participate in the August 15<sup>th</sup> Open Farm Days event and tour hosted by the MRWCC.

Top 10 contestants announced March 19th 2020 at the MRWCC Community Apperception Forum

The MRWCC is a not-for-profit, charitable organization. Your participation will support community driven watershed stewardship initiatives that help achieve balance among a thriving community, a healthy environment and a prosperous economy through understanding, dialogue and action. As a registered charity, the MRWCC will issue a tax-deductible receipt for the value of donated beef for the competition.