

To: CanadaGAP Stakeholders

Date: December 10, 2025

Subject: **CanadaGAP holds 2025 AGM and Auditor Recognition Award Ceremony in Calgary!**

The CanadaGAP Program had a busy day in Calgary, Alberta on December 3, 2025. Thanks to everyone who participated either in person or remotely.

The day's events included:

- Presentation of the Sheri Nielson Auditor Recognition Award for 2025
- Stakeholder lunch and CanAgPlus Board meeting
- [CanAgPlus Annual General Meeting 2025](#)

Please complete our short [post-AGM event survey](#) to share your thoughts and feedback.

Sheri Nielson Auditor Recognition Award Ceremony & Stakeholder Lunch

Prior to the AGM, CanadaGAP hosted a stakeholder lunch, followed by the award ceremony for the winner of the 2025 Sheri Nielson Auditor Recognition Award. The award ceremony was open to anyone who wished to attend, in-person or virtually, and we appreciate all those who took part in congratulating the recipient. The 2025 award was presented to a highly deserving CanadaGAP auditor:



Cameron Korpan

Cameron exhibits the care, dedication and heart for which Sheri Nielson was known. He has served the food industry for some time and has been an outstanding auditor for the CanadaGAP Program since 2014. We extend warm congratulations to Cameron and a sincere thank you all those who submitted nominations!

The award was presented by a previous recipient of this award – Danni Kneeland, of Calgary, Alberta, who was recognized in 2024 for her excellence as a CanadaGAP auditor. Danni was on hand to congratulate Cameron and share her fond remembrances of Sheri Nielson, the auditor in whose memory CanadaGAP established the award in 2022. It was heartening to see highly regarded auditors from across the country connect in person to share their appreciation for each other and for the commitment and professionalism that all CanadaGAP auditors bring to the job.

A new webpage on the CanadaGAP website is dedicated to the CanadaGAP Auditor Recognition Award and can be accessed here: www.canadagap.ca/events/auditor-award/. The page contains

information on the decision to honour Sheri Nielson's legacy, the award ceremony, past winners, and a link to submit a nomination. We encourage anyone who has had a great experience with a CanadaGAP auditor to share their story. Nominations are welcome at all times.

CanadaGAP[®] is a program developed in Canada to promote Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) for fruit and vegetable suppliers.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM of CanAgPlus, the not-for-profit corporation that owns and operates the CanadaGAP® Program, was the keystone event of the day and began at 2:30 p.m. MST at the Westin Calgary. Virtual participation was also an option for members unable to attend in person. In addition to regular business, CanadaGAP presented Program Highlights from 2025, and members passed a special resolution to consolidate the corporation's General Operating By-laws.

CanadaGAP program participants elected one new and three returning directors to the CanAgPlus Board.

Congratulations to the following four directors:

- Denis Desjardins, Desjardins Seed Farm Ltd.
- Beth Pattillo, Noggins Corner Farm II Ltd.
- Julian Sarraïno, Fresh Taste Produce
- Victoria Stamper, United Potato Growers of Canada

Newly elected board members will serve a two-year term for 2026 and 2027. Biographies of CanAgPlus directors are posted at: www.canadagap.ca/history/governance/

After six years of dedicated service to the Board, director Ian McDonell retired at the AGM. Sincere thanks from the Board, staff and members are extended to Ian for his dedication and contributions to CanadaGAP.

The corporation's financial statements and the consolidated by-laws are accessible from the Members Only section on the CanadaGAP website or directly from the office. The 2025 CanadaGAP Program Highlights can be accessed [here](#).

Short AGM Follow-up Survey

Please take a moment to respond to a short survey about the CanAgPlus AGM. We are seeking your feedback around attendance and presentations of interest for future AGMs. Your comments will help us improve the AGM!

Complete [the survey on-line by clicking here](#). **This will take only a few minutes of your time.**

If you have any questions, call the CanadaGAP office at 613-829-4711 or send us an email at info@canadagap.ca.

