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# Beefmaster Breeders United BBU Environmental Award

The BBU Environmental Award is intended to promote good stewardship of the land and natural resources by BBU members and recognize those who excel in this endeavor.

#### CRITERIA

The nominee must be an active or lifetime member of BBU and has excelled in the following areas of stewardship. The criteria shall have a maximum score of 100 points with a minimum point score of 85 required to qualify to win the award. An additional essay at the end is included to provide further explanation and knowledge of the nominee's program. Application deadline is July 1.

#### **GRAZING MANAGEMENT – 20 POINT MAXIMUM**

Describe your ranch's methods for improved grazing or grazing management to include stocking rates, grazing systems, or other management practices.

### PASTURE MANAGEMENT – 20 POINT MAXIMUM

Describe your ranch's pasture management practices to include weed control, brush or invasive plant control, and fertilization programs.

## LAND IMPROVEMENT AND PASTURE RENOVATION – 15 POINT MAXIMUM

Describe how you have improved, reclaimed or renovated pasture that was abused, misused, or inadequate. Also, include soil aeration and erosion control programs and processes you have employed.

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Describe any improvements you have made to either improved or native pastures through planting of grasses or other environmentally beneficial plants or forages.

## WATER CONSERVATION – 20 POINT MAXIMUM

Describe any processes or programs you have employed to conserve water resources. This could include rain water collection, stock pond construction or maintenance, levees, ditching, or other such processes.

#### WILDLIFE - 20 POINT MAXIMUM

Describe your ranch's wildlife programs and management practices you have employed that aid in both promotion of wildlife and their co-existence with a viable cattle operation.

In a brief but adequate essay, further describe your ranch's environmentally relevant programs and practices. Include some history of where you began and goals for the future.