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FAO WELCOMES NEW STAFF MEMBER

The Farmers' Advocate Office (FAO) has a new surface rights, land and energy specialist.

"We're pleased to welcome Michele Del Colle to the team at the FAO," says Jeana Les, research and communications specialist, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, Edmonton. "In her new role, Michele will provide information on legislation and policy, and advise landowners on their responsibilities, negotiations, and requests for compensation."

Raised on a grain farm in rural Alberta, Michele brings with her an understanding of the rural lifestyle and a wealth of relevant experience, says Les. "She has worked for industry, the Energy and Utilities Board, and the Energy and Resources Conservation Board. With training as a land agent and her chartered mediator designation, Michele has skills in conflict resolution, negotiation, facilitation, and stakeholder engagement. She is excited for the opportunity to engage with various communities in Alberta and work with affected landowners to help resolve disputes."

Michele lives in St. Albert with her husband and daughter.

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