

## 2018 Board Member



**Karen Snetun**  
Program Director,  
Organic Grain Initiative  
CiB Alberta Provincial  
Coordinator

Director

Long before Karen experienced her professional success in agriculture, she was a farm girl. At the age of 10, she had her first job helping her dad load cattle on the farm where she was raised. Like many children in rural Alberta, she was involved in 4-H and public speaking. Karen won many trips and scholarships, which inspired her to obtain a degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Alberta and, more recently, a mini-MBA from McGill University.

Karen has worked in various agricultural roles: Program & Policy Manager with Western Canadian Wheat Growers, Member Relations with United Grain Growers, and Marketing and Trade Officer with Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada. Karen and her husband also operated a 2000-acre grain farm and 3600-head hog finishing operation in eastern Alberta for several years.

Karen is currently the Program Director for the Prairie Organic Grain Initiative. For the past seven years, Karen has also been working for Alberta Recreation & Parks Association - most recently as the CiB Alberta Provincial Coordinator.

Karen and her husband, Glen, live in central Alberta and have two children, Carter and Georgia.