

Jeff Nielsen

Jeff farms south east of Olds, Alberta growing barley, canola and wheat on 1350 acres. Jeff's family has a long history of farming in the Olds area. The family farm dates back to 1930 on his father's side and his mother's family established a homestead northwest of Olds in 1893. Jeff has been actively farming since 1975, and forming J.E. Nielsen Farms Inc. in 1998.

Jeff has been an active member of the agriculture community since 1999, when he was elected to the board of directors of United Grain Growers. Since then, Jeff has served as, president of the Western Barley Growers Association and president of Grain Growers of Canada. Jeff earned his Chartered Director (c.Dir) certificate from Degroote School of Business and McMaster University in 2007 while serving as a Director of Agricore United.

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