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2014 Agency Personnel Award

Bill Long | Program Director, Wyoming Wetland Society

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Bill was raised in Pennsylvania and moved west after graduating from high school. With a passion to work with western wildlife and habitats, he attended Colorado State University earning a degree in Wildlife Biology. In 1975 Bill began working for Wyoming Game and Fish as a fisheries technician and then as a nongame tech. He eventually landed his dream job as a Game

Warden. His first district was Elk Mountain, where he spent 10 years before accepting a position as the North Jackson Game Warden. Bill worked in the Jackson region for 23 years. Throughout his early profession Bill had the opportunity to work with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department when it was a small organization. He had the opportunity to work on solving

elk management issues, dealing with interagency activities with the USFS and National Park Service, and seeing the expansion of grizzly bears and wolves. After 37 years with the Department, Bill retired on Sept 15, 2013. According to Bill, "It was a great ride and a very rewarding career".

In his retirement he continues to work with wetlands and trumpeter swan conservation as the Program Director for the Wyoming Wetland Society. Bill is enjoying the slower paced schedule that allows him more time to search for that big buck deer and elusive Brown Trout. 🦌

