



Biographical Information Bob Zelenka, Executive Director Minnesota Grain and Feed Association

The Minnesota Grain and Feed Association is a 108 year-old voluntary non-profit association, composed of competing cooperative and independent grain elevators and feed mills operating in over 600 communities throughout Minnesota. The Association provides industry information, education and both legislative and regulatory representation.

Bob Zelenka has served as Executive Director of the Minnesota Grain and Feed Association (formerly known as the Farmers Elevator Association of Minnesota) since 1981. Bob received a Bachelors and Masters degree from Mankato State University. He is active in and past president of: The National Agricultural Association Executives' Council and the Minnesota Society of Association Executives. Bob currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors for The Minnesota Agricultural Interpretive Center (Farmamerica) and as a member of the Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee. Bob previously served as a member of the Minnesota Ag In The Classroom Foundation Board. Bob and the Minnesota Grain and Feed Association organized and managed the Midwest Shippers' Association from 2002 – 2008 and currently manages the Northwest Feed Manufacturers Association as well.

Prior to his employment with the Minnesota Grain and Feed Association, Bob spent 5 years as a transportation and land-use planner with the Region Nine Development Commission in Mankato. While at Region Nine, Bob facilitated a \$22 million rehabilitation of the Milwaukee Road Line running from Alden to Jackson, Minnesota, now operated by the CP Railroad.

