



# Western Extension Leadership Development

## ANNOUNCING WELD IX

The Western Extension Leadership Development (WELD) program, designed for Cooperative Extension professionals in the Western United States and Territories, requires a 15-month commitment from participating interns. The WELD program consists of four dynamic learning experiences:

1. A personal leadership inventory and assessment;
2. A leadership seminar covering leadership styles, defining direction, working together through teams, community action process, ethical decision-making, and more;
3. An individual innovative leadership project with support and resources, such as a case study documentation and mentoring relationships; and
4. A capstone seminar during which participants share their innovative projects.

To review past WELD Seminar 1 and 2 program agendas, visit the WELD website at <http://www.unce.unr.edu/weld/events/>.

### WELD IX Program Important Dates:

- Nov. 14, 2016 State Extension Directors advance applications to WELD IX Planning Committee
- Dec. 1, 2016 Final Intern Selection
- Jan. 1, 2017 Personal Leadership Inventory and Assessment completed
- March 20-23, 2017 WELD IX Seminar 1 in Spokane, WA
- May 2018 WELD IX Seminar 2—Location and specific dates TBD

### WELD IX Program Fee:

The fee for the 15-month program is \$1,600 per intern. This fee is generally covered by the intern's Extension organization. The fee includes registration for two WELD IX seminars, leadership inventory activities, communication, training sessions, materials, and certain meals. The registration fee does not include travel, lodging, and some meals, and is not refundable once an individual begins the WELD program.

### WELD IX Planning Committee:

Alaska: Heidi Rader

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For more information please visit the WELD website at <http://www.unce.unr.edu/weld/> or contact your State Extension Director or any of the WELD Planning Committee members.