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636 Eye Street, NW  
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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support for Jim Bedwell for American Society of  
Landscape Architects' LaGasse Medal.

Jim has a long and distinguished career in natural resource and landscape  
planning. I have had the pleasure of working with Jim in his position as Forest  
Supervisor of the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forest and Pawnee National  
Grassland. He has proven to be a dedicated public servant for this forest, which is  
one of the most visited as it is so close to a major metropolitan area. As Forest  
Supervisor, Jim has had to juggle a number of competing demands while also  
safeguarding the land for the benefit of present and future generations as well as  
the diverse wildlife species.

Jim continues to work hard to balance these needs. Because of this work, and his  
distinguished work on various landscapes, I think Jim would be a deserving  
recipient of this prestigious award.

Sincerely,

Mark Udall