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Blue Planet Lawn selected for the Small Business Environmental Stewardship Award

The National Steering Committee (NSC) of Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAPs) & Small Business Ombudsmen (SBO) have recognized Blue Planet Lawn with the 2025 Small Business Environmental Stewardship Award. The company, based in Salt Lake City, Utah, was recognized for its accomplishments in the areas of improving environmental performance, pollution prevention, sustainability, and sharing their knowledge with others to help improve other lawn care and landscaping companies.

Blue Planet Lawn initially approached the UT SBEAP with questions regarding business permits. Even though a permit was not required, Blue Planet Lawn also worked with the UT SBEAP on pollution prevention measures and in 2022 launched a Zero Emission lawn care business. Blue Planet Lawn exclusively uses electric, battery powered, and solar charged lawn care equipment and vehicles. During their startup and first full year in operation during 2023, Blue Planet Lawn proved that a fully electric, battery-powered lawn care operation is efficient and financially sustainable. With its true ZERO EMISSION statement, the company has found a strong acceptance in the residential and corporate market. Customers appreciate the clean and quiet lawn care service.

Blue Planet Lawn has been sharing their business metrics of running a successful Zero Emission company. This included several presentations at air quality industry stakeholder meetings and through 1 Million Cups, an event for local entrepreneurs to meet and present startups to their peers. They have especially been connecting with younger entrepreneurs with a commitment to work with them to develop their own electric equipment powered startups. This spring, Blue Planet Lawn was invited to speak at the Intermountain Sustainability Summit at Weber State University where they presented their key findings and results over the past 3 years.

Blue Planet Lawn tracks metrics to demonstrate their pollution prevention success. With two to three crews active daily, they have reduced pollution by an amount equivalent to 2 million car miles in 2024. This promotes a behavioral change among Utah citizens, leading to specific requests for electric lawn care to improve air quality.

The SBEAP/SBO NSC Awards are the States' premier awards program for recognizing outstanding environmental leadership among small businesses and small business assistance providers. These awards recognize small businesses, SBEAP/SBO programs and individuals, trade associations and other business assistance providers who have made significant contributions to protecting the environment. The awards program is sponsored by the SBEAP/SBO NSC in partnership with U.S. EPA Asbestos and Small Business Office.

More information about the state SBEAP/SBO is available at <https://nationalsbeap.org/>.

About the Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs and Small Business Ombudsmen

The Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAP) and Small Business Ombudsmen (SBO) were created under Section 507 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. For more than 25 years, the SBEAP/SBO have provided extensive, hands-on technical assistance to small businesses across the country to help them understand and comply with complex environmental regulations. The SBEAP/SBO website, <https://nationalsbeap.org/>, is a resource for program participants and small businesses. Find your state specific contact at: <https://nationalsbeap.org/states>. #SBEAP #SmallBusiness