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CENTRAL ALBERTAN TO HEAD CANOLA PRODUCERS COMMISSION

A Central Alberta farmer has been elected chair of the Alberta Canola Producers Commission. Kevin Bender, who farms near Bentley, will head up the grower organization that represents 13,000 canola producers in the province. He previously served as a director with the commission, and is also president of the Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association and a delegate with the Alberta Barley Commission. Members of the Alberta Canola Producers Commission have also chosen new directors for 2010. Bender said in a news release that he and his board will "strive to increase the long-term profitability of canola growers in Alberta." The Alberta Canola Producers Commission is a refundable check-off organization. It's active in canola agronomic research, extension, market development and government policy.

