AWARD PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Environmental Stewardship Award is awarded to a person who has contributed significantly to the protection and/or enhancement of the environment along with energy management and sustain practices in the Arizona water/wastewater industry.

BACKGROUND

The AZ Water Association has been recognizing members who have shown considerable devotion to environmental awareness with the Environment Stewardship Award since 2001.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The selection committee consists of the Awards Program Committee. The committee shall consist of at least five members. Additional representation from the AZ Water Board may be added if needed.

Entry forms for the nominees are distributed to the selection committee for review and ranking. A conference call is scheduled to discuss the rankings and select an award recipient. For nominees who are not selected, the nomination can be resubmitted in subsequent years; however, a person can receive the award only once. Only one award may be given out each year. An award is not necessarily given out every year if a deserving award recipient cannot be selected from the field of nominees.

Once an award recipient has been selected, the selection committee chair contacts the nominator to request a biographical statement. The selection for the award recipient will then be unveiled at the annual conference.

GENERAL CRITERIA

A Nominee for the Environmental Stewardship Award must be a member of the AZ Water Association in good standing. The following is evaluation criteria used in the selection process:

1. Contributions to the Water/Wastewater Industry related to the environment/conservation
2. Contributions to AZ Water, WEF, and AWWA
NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations are accepted from the general membership and from the selection committee. In order to enter a nominee, complete all the fields of the Environmental Stewardship Entry Form on the Awards Program Committee webpage, provide one (1) recommendation letter from a person (include name and position) in the industry, and one (1) recommendation letter from the nominee’s employer (include name and position). In addition, upload scanned copies of any supporting biographical or other material along with the entry form.

ENTRY FORMS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED ONLINE ONLY

AWARD PRESENTATION

The award style is determined by the Awards Program Committee. The current award style is a large glass water droplet sculpture.

Once an award recipient has been selected, the Award Chair contacts the nominator to request a biographical statement. The award is presented at the AZ Water Association Annual Conference by the Association President after Environmental Stewardship Committee Chair reads the biographical statement. Afterwards, a photo is taken of award recipient with the AZ Water President.