

Purpose: The purpose of the VWEA Facility Maintenance Award is to recognize outstanding performance, professionalism, and dedication specific to the maintenance of wastewater treatment equipment and processes. This award is given to recognize an outstanding team who by their efforts have demonstrated excellence in wastewater treatment maintenance programs.

Award Criteria and Areas of Interest include, but are not limited to:

- Evidence of predictive, preventative, and corrective maintenance programs
- A visual inspection of the facility for appearance and condition of treatment equipment/processes
- Review of documented maintenance records, information management, and/or asset management systems
- Demonstration of significant reductions in equipment downtime because of maintenance program improvements
- Demonstration of efforts designed to improve process reliability because of maintenance program improvements
- Evidence of problem solving and innovative thinking to develop new/improved cost saving measures
- Evidence of the improvement of maintenance personnel skills because of effective training programs and the sharing knowledge
- Dedication and active participation in the adherence to any/all safety programs

Application Process: Upon closing of the application period, the nominee list will be narrowed to no more than three (3) potential awardees. The Maintenance Sub-Committee will next schedule a visit to these facilities to review and witness each facility’s overall maintenance program. The deadline for submission is **May 1st**. The winning facility will be recognized, and an award presented at the **WaterJAM (Joint Annual Meeting) in September of each year.**

Benefits of submitting an application:

- Benchmark your Facility’s maintenance program
- Promote maintenance awareness amongst staff and colleagues
- Identify potential areas for improvement
- Recognition of maintenance achievements by peers
- Promote the “beyond exceptional effort” exhibited by maintenance staff

- Notes:**
1. Facilities that received the award the previous year are not eligible for Maintenance Award this year.
 2. At least one (1) employee of the nominated facility must have a current Professional, Academic, PWO, Young Professional, Student or Corporate member status in the VWEA.



Nomination Form

<https://www.vwea.org/page/Awards>