



**VIRGINIA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION
5-S CHAPTER SELECTION PROCESS
(Select Society of Sanitary Sludge Shovelers)**

Requirements for Nominations: As an honorary society, individuals are nominated and selected by society members based on the contributions of the individual. The criteria for selection is a significant and repeated effort toward making VEWA a better Association in the form of such activities as presentation of papers at meetings, serving as instructors at various workshops, serving as officer or as the chair of a productive committee, as a productive committee member, and/or significant contributions to VWEA, which in the opinion of the Selection Committee are worth recognition. Note that one time chair of a particular committee or merely presenting papers is typically not enough for selection.

Selection Process:

1. The Selection Committee is composed of a Chair who is the immediate past president for the VWEA and other 5-S members. Those making recommendations should be familiar with the activities of the nominee(s).
2. The chair of the Selection Committee will send an email at least 45 days before the Annual Meeting, inviting all Shovelers to submit nominations. The email will give a deadline date by which all nominations must be received by the chair.
3. Nominations from pervious years must be re-nominated to be considered.
4. It is important that the nominee's contributions to VWEA are listed.
5. Nominees should not be told or given any indication of their nomination. Their names must be kept secret.
6. The chair of the Selection Committee should arrange for a meeting to discuss nominations prior to the Annual Meeting.
7. The Selection Committee should limit the number of inductees to three. Depending on the overall size and activity of the general membership, and the overall quality of individuals nominated, there should be some flexibility in this number. The Selection Committee should in no way feel compelled to nominate three individuals, if there are not enough candidates who are sufficiently worthy. In addition, there may be extraordinary occasions where the effort of specific individuals to warrant selecting a greater number.