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PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

The APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the consultant/architect/engineer, and the contractor who, working together, complete public works projects.

Awards are given in these five categories:

1. **Structures**: To include public structure preservation/rehabilitation, municipal buildings, parks, etc.
2. **Transportation**: To include roads, bridges, mass transit, etc.
3. **Environment**: To include treatment and recycling facilities, landfill reclamation projects, sewer projects, etc.
4. **Historical Restoration/Preservation**: To include historical restoration, preservation and adaptive reuse of existing buildings, structures, and facilities, etc.
5. **Disaster or Emergency Construction/Repair**: To include the techniques and timing for safety, community relations, environmental protection, adverse conditions and additional considerations.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR SMALL CITIES/RURAL COMMUNITIES

A new award created for 2013, the APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award for agencies from cities or counties with a population of 75,000 or less is established to promote excellence in demonstrating creativity, ingenuity, and efficiency in the delivery of Public Works project that have a profound impact on the community. The award does not have a fixed dollar amount and can include, but is not limited to, the following categories: structures, environmental, historic preservation, emergency response, or transportation projects that have created a positive impact on the life of the community.

CITATION FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO PUBLIC WORKS

To recognize an eminent government or other public service leader for far-reaching positive impact on local, state or national public works programs, services, or policies through distinguished public service and commitment. Established in 1972 and previously known as the Distinguished Service Award, this award particularly recognizes leadership in furthering the mission and goals of APWA.

DIVERSITY EXEMPLARY PRACTICES AWARD

To recognize individuals and organizations that have made outstanding contributions to diversity. The American Public Works Association defines diversity as follows: Value of all individuals and different perspectives of those individuals, and providing the process for all to feel included as part of the whole. Diversity includes race, gender, creed, age, lifestyle, national origin, disability, personality, educational background, and income level. Diversity is not an affirmation action nor an equal opportunity program.

EXCELLENCE IN SNOW AND ICE CONTROL AWARD

The APWA Excellence in Snow and Ice Control Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works snow and ice operations. To promote the best practices in snow and ice removal while minimizing environmental impacts.
EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE AWARD

Established in 1996, this award recognizes individuals, teams, or organizations in the areas of adversity, journalism, and safety whose outstanding contributions in the course of performance raises the level of public awareness of the profession.

TECHNICAL INNOVATION AWARD / MANAGEMENT INNOVATION AWARD

To recognize an individual, team, or organization for the development, management and implementation of a creative idea, device, process, or system that enhances the goals of public works in serving the public and protecting the environment.

SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES AWARD

To recognize individuals, teams or organizations that have made outstanding contributions to promote sustainability in public works. Sustainability is accomplished by the efficient delivery of infrastructure in an environmentally and socially responsible way that ensures the best choice in the long term.

CHARLES WALTER NICHOLS AWARD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE

This award was established in 1951 by Charles Walter Nichols of Nichols Engineering Research Corporation to recognize outstanding and meritorious achievement in the environmental field in its broadest sense. This may include, but is not limited to, street sanitation, refuse collection, disposal and recycling, sewers and sewage treatment, water supply, and water treatment.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AWARD

To recognize public works leaders who are also leaders in their community. To encourage public works professionals to become active leaders in their community. To ensure public trust in public works professionals through recognition of outstanding community leadership.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO PUBLIC WORKS AWARD

To promote and enhance the purposes of APWA. This award is regarded as the highest honor that APWA can bestow. Established in 1935 as the Honorary Membership Award, this honor is intended to indicate to the greatest possible extent APWA’s esteem, respect and regard.

DONALD C. STONE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Established in honor of Donald C. Stone, founder of APWA, to recognize outstanding and meritorious achievement of individuals assisting in the area of continuing and graduate professional education for public works professionals.

HARRY S. SWEARINGEN AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AND EXCELLENCE IN CHAPTER SERVICE

Established in 1958 to perpetuate the memory of Harry Seller Swearingen (1900-1957), who worked untiringly on behalf of APWA and its purposes. A career employee of the City of Los Angeles, Swearingen was an active member of the Southern California Chapter. This award recognizes outstanding individual achievement through chapter activity and achievement in support of APWA’s strategic plan, goals and objectives, as well as outstanding service to APWA as a public or private sector member at the chapter level.
PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD; ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT

The Professional Manager of the Year Award in Administrative Management seeks to recognize outstanding achievement in the area of administration within the public works department and to inspire excellence and dedication in the public sector by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of administrative professionals.

YOUNG LEADER AWARD

To recognize and encourage young APWA members who have demonstrated an initial commitment to the profession and the association and show potential for future growth within the association. The award promotes the concept that length of career does not necessarily indicate leadership abilities or potential for service.

PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD; TRANSPORTATION

The Professional Manager of the Year Award in the Transportation category seeks to inspire excellence and dedication by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of public transportation professionals. The primary focus of this award is recognition of exceptional leadership and management by an individual through a significant transportation related project or program.

PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD; SOLID WASTE

The Professional Manager of the Year Award in the Solid Waste category seeks to inspire excellence and dedication by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of solid waste management professionals. The primary focus of this award is recognition of exceptional management, operation, and maintenance of public sector solid waste operations.

PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD; PUBLIC WORKS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Professional Manager of the Year Award in Public Works Emergency Management seeks to inspire excellence and dedication by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of public works emergency management professionals. The primary focus of this award is the recognition of exceptional leadership in the field of public works emergency management.

PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD; PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

The Professional Manager of the Year Award in the Public Right-of-Way category seeks to inspire excellence and dedication by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of public right-of-way management professionals. The primary focus of this award is the recognition of management demonstrating that all stakeholders share the public right-of-way in harmony and preserve it in the best interest and benefit of the public.

PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD; PUBLIC FLEET

The Professional Manager of the Year Award in Public Fleet category seeks to inspire excellence and dedication in the public sector by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of public fleet management professionals. The primary focus of this award is recognition of exceptional leadership and management of public sector fleets.

PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD; FACILITIES AND GROUNDS

The Facilities and Grounds Professional Manager of the Year Award seeks to inspire excellence and dedication in the public sector by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of facilities and/or grounds management professionals. The primary focus of this award is the recognition of exceptional leadership and management in the field of facilities and/or grounds.
PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD; ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

The Professional Manager of the Year Award in the Engineering and Technology category seeks to inspire excellence and dedication by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of engineering and technology professionals. The primary focus of this award is the recognition of exceptional leadership and management in the area of engineering and technology.

DOUGLAS C. ZEFTING PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEE AWARD

The award recognizes outstanding public service and achievement of an operational/maintenance level employee of a public works agency of a political subdivision. Candidates must be employed on a full-time basis by any state, county, city, village or town and shall have a minimum of 10-years public service. The award is named in honor of Douglas C. Zefting, P.E., former City of Rochester Engineer.

RICHARD MACK CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

The award is presented to a construction company, a superintendent, a foreman or an employee of a construction company that best exemplifies integrity and professionalism while completing difficult tasks, assignments and projects. This award is named in honor of Dick Mack, former President of KBH Construction.

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