Reclamationist of the Year Award

Criteria

This award is intended for individuals demonstrating outstanding accomplishments in the practical application or evaluation of reclamation technology. The individual may work in the subject area as a reclamation official within the mining industry that is responsible for the implementation of the reclamation, an environmental consultant working with a mining company to develop a reclamation plan/approach or they may be an individual in reclamation regulatory activities that is addressing reclamation protocols used on the mine and evaluation of reclamation success. This award includes a cash stipend of $500.

Eligibility

Nominators must be members of the American Society for Mining and Reclamation. Members of the Awards Committee are not eligible to submit nominations during their tenure on the committee. Nominees must be active in some area of reclamation (industry, consulting, and enforcement) at the time of their nomination. Nominee does not have to be a member of ASMR. Members of the Awards Committee are not eligible to be nominated during their tenure on the committee. Members of the NEC can be nominated.

Nomination Format

Cover Page

1. Title: Title the document "Nomination of _______________________ for the Reclamationist of the Year Award," inserting the name of the nominee in the blank.

2. Nominee: Include name, title, date of birth, address (with zip code) and telephone number (with area code).

3. Nominator: Include typewritten name, signature, title, mailing address (with zip code) and telephone number (with area code).

4. Nominations for this award can include those individuals that are employed in the consulting industry and implement reclamation and/or carry out demonstration research.

Documentation of Nominee

1. Education/training: Give degree, academic field, institution and date of all education above high school diploma. Also list dates, courses/training programs, location and length of non-academic, professional or technical training, (i.e. safety training, MSHA training, OSM training, etc.).

2. Work experience/career: list dates, employers, and location of all positions held beginning with current position.
3. Professional service: List membership and offices held in professional societies, industry associations, and technical committees. Indicate nominee’s role in these activities. Include committee assignments and leadership role(s) in industry, or regulatory or other programs related to reclamation at the company, state, regional, or national level (i.e. reclamation associations, state/federal guidelines, committees, etc.).

4. Technical developments: Nominee’s role in technology development and transfer should be described. Major publications and presentations should be listed that demonstrate technology transfer (not to exceed 1 single-spaced page).

5. Honors and awards: List all honors and awards received and designate whether local, regional or national. List the recognition that employing company/agency/association received as a result of nominee’s leadership or participation in successful reclamation or revision of reclamation law/guidelines. List chronologically and give descriptive nature of award (certificate, monetary, etc.)

**Justification**

A narrative statement (not to exceed 2 single-spaced pages) should identify and summarize the major achievements and role of the nominee in developing reclamation technology implementing reclamation, developing reclamation laws and guidelines, and/or reclamation evaluation/enforcement. It should also document how the nominee’s efforts in reclamation have improved the environment and conservation of our national resources. The local, state, regional, and/or national significance of accomplishments should be described.

**Supporting Letters**

Three supporting letters (but only three) should be included that further support the nomination. The letters should address specific strengths of the nominee and identify the relationship between the nominee and the person writing the letter and should be limited to a single page in length if at all possible but definitely cannot exceed two pages and still be within the 10 page total length of the nomination. The letters can be from either members or non-members of the Society, but cannot be solicited from members of the Awards Committee. Nominations for this award must not exceed 10 pages. Any nominations exceeding 10 pages will be returned to the nominator (if time permits) for revision. This limitation is necessary to ensure that all nominees can be given an equitable evaluation. This page limitation is also necessary to enable ease in sending the nominations to the awards chairman for evaluation by the committee. Large voluminous nominations cannot be sent as attachments to some people because of server limitations.

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