Richard I. and Lela M. Barnhisel Reclamation Researcher of the Year

Criteria

This award is intended for individuals demonstrating substantive contributions to the advancement of reclamation science and/or technology through scientific research. The individual must be contributing meaningful information/science relating to the economic, social, environmental, or ecological effects of surface mining. The individual must have been involved in reclamation/rehabilitation research for a significant length of time to achieve significant measurable advances in the field. 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 research 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 Richard I and Lela M. Barnhisel Reclamation Researcher 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, title, signature, mailing address (with zip code) and telephone number (with area code).

Documentation of Nominee

1. Education: Give degree, academic field, institution and date of all education above high school diploma.

2. Work experience/career: List dates, employers, and locations of all positions held, beginning with current position.
3. Professional service: List membership and offices held in professional societies such as ASMR and honorary organizations and service on professional and/or technical committees. Indicate participation/role in professional organizations and/or committees.

4. Honors and awards: List all honors and awards received and designate whether local, regional, or national. List chronologically and give a descriptive nature of the award (certificate, monetary, etc.).

**Justification**

1. A narrative statement (not to exceed 2 single-spaced pages) should summarize the nominee’s research, its impact on reclamation technology or reclamation guidelines/regulations, and its impact on advancing science. Nominee’s role, if appropriate, in research or program leadership should be identified and described (i.e. department head, program leader, project leader, etc.). Discussion of invited presentations should include type of requesting organization.

2. List of reclamation and related research publications. These should be grouped by refereed journal, conference/workshop proceedings, book chapters, university publications and popular articles. Do not list abstracts, simply state number of published abstracts. Identify publications that were invited. This section should not exceed two single-space pages. If publication record is greater than that, indicate the total number of publications in each category and provide a partial list including only the publications considered most significant. Under no circumstances can this section exceed 2 pages.

3. Role in technology transfer. This should include workshops, field days, seminars, and other extension type activities (not to exceed 1/2 single-spaced page).

**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.