

2005 NATIONAL WETLANDS AWARDS

NOMINATION FORM

Co-sponsored by the Environmental Law Institute, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, USDA Forest Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the 2005 National Wetlands Awards recognize individuals who have demonstrated excellence in wetland conservation. Nominations must be for individuals—not organizations or groups of individuals—whose programs or projects operate at the regional, state, or local level. Federal employees are not eligible. Projects not currently in compliance with the Clean Water Act or similar state or local statutes, as well as projects compelled by enforcement actions under those statutes, are not eligible. Awardees will be chosen by a committee of wetland experts representing the conservation and business communities, as well as federal, state, and local governments. We encourage the nomination of individuals nominated in the past but not selected for an award; the nomination information submitted in prior years will be reviewed by the selection committee.

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Awards will be given for individuals in the following categories. Examples listed are meant for guidance only; please do not limit nominations to the examples included here. Please mark **ONLY ONE** category as the area that best describes your nominee's work:

- EDUCATION AND OUTREACH:** This award is presented to a teacher, nonprofit staffer, state/local government employee, or reporter involved in hands-on wetland education. *For example, an inspirational school teacher who has developed a wetland course that brings children into the field to learn about wetland ecology.*
- SCIENCE RESEARCH:** This award is presented to an academic, consultant, or other individual leading scientific research on wetland values and functions, restoration, or enhancement. *For example, an individual who has spearheaded groundbreaking or influential research on wetland restoration.*
- CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION:** This award is given to an individual who has accomplished the conservation or restoration of significant wetland resources through the use of on-the-ground restoration, management, or conservation methods on public or private lands. *For example, an individual who has used an innovative approach to restore a wetland ecosystem, or someone who has contributed to the protection of a regionally significant wetland area through the use of tried-and-true conservation methods.*
- LANDOWNER STEWARDSHIP:** This award is presented to a private landowner, who, while utilizing his or her private land for farming, forestry activities, ranching, or development, voluntarily helps restore, protect, or minimize impacts to wetlands. *For example, a farmer involved in wetlands restoration or conservation on his or her land or enlisting nearby landowners in these efforts, or a residential developer who provides for significant protection or restoration of wetlands associated with a subdivision.*
- STATE, TRIBAL, AND LOCAL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT:** This award is given to a state, tribal, or local government employee who has developed and administered an outstanding wetland program. *For example, a state government employee who developed a streamlined wetland regulatory program, or a local government employee who has developed a wetland registry.*
- WETLAND COMMUNITY LEADER:** This award is given to an individual who has devoted significant time and energy to wetland protection by mobilizing concerned citizens to protect a wetland or introducing and spearheading the passage of wetland legislation. *For example, an individual who has led a coalition of citizens to work with the state transportation agency to protect a local wetland system, or a person who has spearheaded a campaign to pass state legislation protecting wetlands.*

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Please answer the following questions about the nominee. You do not need to use this form, but all questions must be answered. You are strongly encouraged to use a computer or typewriter, rather than writing responses by hand.

1. Briefly describe the nominee's qualifying accomplishments in no more than 150 words.
2. What recent project(s) or activity(ies) has/have the nominee been involved in? Where and when did the project(s) take place? What stage is/are the project(s) in?
3. What effect has/have the project(s) had at the local, state, or national level? If appropriate, who was the intended audience?
4. Which other agencies/organizations/individuals were involved in the nominee's project(s)?
5. Does the nominee receive a salary for the activity(ies) for which he or she is being nominated?
6. Please provide additional information that may be helpful to the selection committee. Letters of support, related articles, and press coverage are encouraged. The nomination package should be no more than **20 pages** in total. All supporting materials must be easily duplicated (i.e., color pages and color pictures do not reproduce well). Brief written descriptions, resumes, or bibliographies should be submitted in lieu of video or audio recordings, books, posters, lengthy articles and reports, or other materials. For more guidance on nomination materials, please visit ELI's website at <http://www.eli.org/nwa/nwaprogram.htm>.
7. How did you become aware of the 2005 National Wetlands Awards? (i.e., received the nomination form in the mail, saw a message on a listserv, saw the nomination form in the *National Wetlands Newsletter*, visited ELI's website)

Please submit this nomination form, along with all supporting materials, postmarked by December 15, 2004, to National Wetlands Awards, Environmental Law Institute, 1616 P Street NW, Suite 200, Washington DC 20036, or fax to 202-939-3868. Please visit ELI's website at <http://www.eli.org/nwa/nwaprogram.htm> for additional nomination forms and profiles of past years' award recipients. For questions or to request additional copies of the nomination form, contact Katie Wells at 202-939-3810 or wetlandsawards@eli.org.