

Professional Manager of the Year Award Water Resources

Purpose The Professional Manager of the Year Award in the Water Resources category seeks to recognize outstanding achievement in the area of water resources and to inspire excellence and dedication in the public sector by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of water resources professionals.

Eligibility Any individual whose primary responsibilities are in the area of public works water resources management is eligible. Candidates for this award must be members of APWA. Members of the APWA Board of Directors are not eligible during the time they serve on the Board. APWA Water Resources Management Committee members are not eligible.

Career Length Candidates with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience may be nominated.

Selection The award winner is selected by a panel of judges appointed by the APWA President. Membership of the panel represents the public works field and other agencies with an active interest in the public works profession.

Criteria The criteria used in the selection process include:

Profession Significant contributions to the advancement of water resources management.

Leadership Outstanding leadership and vision evidenced by employing progressive management techniques in the area of water resources management.

Innovation Employment of new and innovative ideas and technology resulting in the advancement of the effectiveness of water resources management.

Agency Service Implementation of effective methods to optimize fiscal management of water resources operations.

Customer Service Maintenance of a high degree of satisfaction among customers and other stakeholders.

Community Service Promotion of the field of water resources management in the community, agency or customers served.

Nomination Process Any governmental entity, group, or individual may nominate candidates. Nominations are particularly encouraged from APWA chapters and branches. Self nominations are not accepted. Original submittal should include a nomination form and supporting documentation that clearly addresses the eligibility requirements and the candidate's professional work. Six copies of the submittal are required. These materials should be sent to APWA National. Award submittal information and any supporting documentation submitted will not be returned.

Deadline March 3, 2008

Presentation The award winner is presented with a plaque at the Awards Recognition Ceremony during the APWA International Public Works Congress and Exposition and featured in APWA's publications.

Former Recipients

- 2007** Keith DeVore, Director, Department of Water Resources, Sacramento County, CA
- 2006** Mark L. Rogers, Collection Systems Manager, City of Tulsa, OK
- 2005** James M. Parks, P.E., Executive Director, North Texas Municipal Water District, Wylie, TX
- 2004** Ronald L. Norris, Director of Public Works, City of Lenexa, KS