



SOCIETY AWARD NOMINATIONS

A Guide: How to Create a Nomination Package

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WELCOME

Thank you for your interest in ensuring the American Society of Civil Engineers recognizes outstanding engineers for their contributions to the profession through the Honors and Awards Program.

The Society boasts an inventory of 94 Society Awards, apart from those presented by institutes, divisions, and others. Society Awards are considered more prestigious than any other awards. Past winners often cite Society Awards for advancing their careers. It is only through the efforts of nominators who formally present their candidates for consideration that ASCE can continue these important recognitions.

Who can nominate? Unless specified in individual award rules, self-nominations are not accepted. Nominators are not required to be ASCE members, but those who nominate are generally Society members.

If you are interested in nominating for Distinguished Membership, please understand the requirements are unique to that program. Please refer to information and to download forms on the web at <https://www.asce.org/career-growth/awards-and-honors/distinguished-members>.

This guide will assist those interested in nominating a paper, person, project, or program for an ASCE Society Award. The process outlined in the following pages is for Society Awards only and is meant to guide the nominator in creating a complete nomination package tailored to a specific Society Award. A complete list of Society Awards begins on page 3.

If you are unclear about which award fits your candidate, we invite you to review the inventory by area on page 7.

You will find information specific to each Society Award at <https://www.asce.org/career-growth/awards-and-honors>.

Each section in this guide explains the documents required to present a complete package. You will also find an example for reference.

If you have questions not answered in this guide, we invite you to contact awards@asce.org.

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For further information, visit awards@asce.org

Highlighted Society Awards recognize outstanding published papers.

SOCIETY AWARD	ENGINEERING DISCIPLINE
Ang Award on Risk Analysis & Management of Civil Infrastructures, Alfredo	Civil Infrastructure
Arid Lands Hydraulic Engineering Award	Environmental Engineering
Ayyub Research Award for Risk and Uncertainty in Engineering Systems, Bilal M.	Civil Infrastructure
Bartholomew Award, Harland	Transportation Engineering
Bazant Medal for Failure & Damage Prevention, Zdenek P.	Civil Infrastructure
Bechtel Pipeline Engineering Award, Stephen D.	Pipeline Engineering
Bechtel, Jr Energy Award, Stephen D.	Energy Engineering
Bickel Award, John O.	Construction Engineering
Biot Medal, Maurice A.	Engineering Mechanics
Can-Am Civil Engineering Amity Award	Professional Development & Civil Achievement
Casagrande Professional Development Award, Arthur	Geotechnical Engineering
Cermak Medal, Jack E.	Engineering Mechanics/Structural Engineering
Ven Te Chow Award	Environmental Engineering
Civil Engineering History & Heritage Award	Civil Engineering History
Collingwood Prize	Younger Members
Columbia Medal	Aerospace Engineering
Computing In Civil Engineering Award	Computer Practices
Construction Management Award	Construction Engineering
Croes Medal, J. James R.	Engineering Science
DiGioia, Jr. Electric Transmission Engineering Award, Anthony M.	Structural Engineering
Duke Lifeline Earthquake Engineering Award, Charles Martin	Lifeline Engineering
Einstein Award, Hans Albert	Environmental/Coastal Engineering
Frangopol Award for Life-Cycle Civil Engineering of Civil Structures, Dan M.	Structural Engineering
Freese Environmental Engineering Award & Lecture, Simon W.	Environmental Engineering
Freudenthal Medal, Alfred M.	Engineering Mechanics

SOCIETY AWARD	ENGINEERING DISCIPLINE
Friedman Professional Recognition Award, Edmund	Professional Development & Civil Achievement
Friedman Young Engineer Award for Professional Achievement, Edmund	Younger Members
Greeley Award, Samuel Arnold	Environmental Engineering
Halpin Award for Scholarship in Construction, Daniel W.	Construction Engineering
Hardesty Award, Shortridge	Structural Engineering
Hering Medal, Rudolph	Environmental Engineering
Hilgard Hydraulic Prize, Karl Emil	Environmental Engineering
Hinds Award, Julian	Environmental Engineering
Hoffman Award, Phillip R.	Energy Engineering
Horner Award, Wesley W.	Environmental Engineering
Housner Structural Control and Monitoring Award, George W.	Engineering Mechanics
Howard Award, Ernest E.	Construction/Structural Engineering
Huber Civil Engineering Research Prizes, Walter L.	Research and Innovation
Hydraulic Structures Medal	Environmental Engineering
Innovation in Civil Engineering Award	Sustainability
International Coastal Engineering Award	Coastal Engineering
Iwan Award for Mentors in Mechanics Research, Wilfred D.	Engineering Mechanics
Journalism Award, ASCE Excellence in	Journalism
Kapp Foundation Engineering Award, Martin S.	Geotechnical Engineering
Laurie Prize, James	Transportation Engineering
LeFevre Award, Walter	Ethics
Lin Award, T. Y.	Structural Engineering
Lund Award, Le Val	Civil Infrastructure
Magoon Sustainable Coasts Award, Orville T.	Coastal Engineering
Masters Transportation Engineering Award, Frank M.	Transportation Engineering
Mead Prize for Younger Members, Daniel W.	Younger Members
Mead Prize for Students, Daniel W.	Student Members
Michel Award for Industry Advancement of Research, Henry L.	Research and Innovation
Middlebrooks Award, Thomas A.	Geotechnical Engineering
Mindlin Medal, Raymond D.	Engineering Mechanics

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Moffatt- Frank E. Nichol Harbor and Coastal Engineering Award, John G.	Coastal Engineering
Moisseiff Award	Structural Engineering
Mujumdar Resilience Award, Vilas	Structural Engineering
Newmark Medal, Nathan M.	Engineering Mechanics
Noble Prize, Alfred	Engineering Science
Norman Medal	Engineering Science
Outstanding Public Official Award	Professional Development & Civil Achievement
Pankow Award for Innovation, ASCE Charles	Research and Innovation
Parcel-Leif J. Sverdrup Civil Engineering Management Award, John I.	Professional Development & Civil Achievement
Peck Award, Ralph B.	Geotechnical Engineering
Petersen Award, Margaret S.	Environmental Engineering
Peurifoy Construction Research Award	Construction Engineering
Peyton Award for Cold Regions Engineering, Harold R.	Cold Regions Engineering
Prakash Award and Lecture, Shamsheer	Geotechnical Engineering
Presidents-Emeriti Council Award, ASCE	Professional Development & Civil Achievement
President's Medal, ASCE	Professional Development & Civil Achievement
Professional Practice Ethics and Leadership Award, The	Ethics
Reese Research Prize, Raymond C.	Structural Engineering
Rickey Medal	Energy Engineering
Ridgway Student Chapter Award, Robert	Student Members
Roberts Global Sustainability Award, Donald V.	Sustainability
Roebing Award	Construction Engineering
Rouse Hydraulic Engineering Lecture, Hunter	Environmental Engineering
Rowland Prize, Thomas Fitch	Construction Engineering
Scanlan Medal, Robert H.	Engineering Mechanics
Seed Medal, H. Bolton	Geotechnical Engineering
Shinozuka Medal, Masanobu	Engineering Mechanics
Wilbur S. Smith Award	Transportation Engineering
Smith Hydraulic Fellowship, J. Waldo	Environmental Engineering
State of the Art of Civil Engineering Award, ASCE	Engineering Science
Stevens Award, J. C.	Environmental Engineering

SOCIETY AWARD	ENGINEERING DISCIPLINE
Surampalli Medal for Climate Change Engineering/Science, Impacts and Solutions, Rao Y.	Sustainability
Surveying And Mapping Award	Geomatics Engineering
Terzaghi Award, Karl	Geotechnical Engineering
Terzaghi Lecture, Karl	Geotechnical Engineering
Tipton Award, Royce J.	Environmental Engineering
Turner Lecture, Francis C.	Transportation Engineering
Von Karman Medal, Theodore	Engineering Mechanics
Wellington Prize, Arthur M.	Transportation Engineering
Winter Award, George	Structural Engineering
Wisely American Civil Engineer Award, William H.	Professional Development & Civil Achievement
Younger Member Group Award	Younger Members

INVENTORY OF SOCIETY AWARDS – PRESENTED BY AREA

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Cold Regions Engineering	
Peyton Award for Cold Regions Engineering, Harold R.	
Computer Practices	
Computing In Civil Engineering Award	
Construction Engineering	
Bickel Award, John O.	Roebbling Award
Construction Management Award	Peurifoy Construction Research Award
Halpin Award for Scholarship in Construction, Daniel W.	Rowland Prize, Thomas Fitch
Construction/Structural Engineering	
Howard Award, Ernest E.	
Energy Engineering	
Bechtel, Jr Energy Award, Stephen D.	Rickey Medal
Hoffman Award, Phillip R.	

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Biot Medal, Maurice A.	Newmark Medal, Nathan M.
Freudenthal Medal, Alfred M.	Scanlan Medal, Robert H.
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Ethics	
LeFevre Award, Walter	
Geomatics Engineering	
Surveying And Mapping Award	

Geotechnical Engineering	
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Journalism	
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Lifeline Engineering	
Duke Lifeline Earthquake Engineering Award, Charles Martin	
Pipeline Engineering	
Bechtel Pipeline Engineering Award, Stephen D.	
Professional Development & Civil Achievement	
Can-Am Civil Engineering Amity Award	Parcel-Leif J. Sverdrup Civil Engineering Management Award, John I.
Friedman Professional Recognition Award, Edmund	Wisely American Civil Engineer Award, William H.
Outstanding Public Official Award	
Research and Innovation	
Huber Civil Engineering Research Prizes, Walter L.	Pankow Award for Innovation, ASCE Charles
Michel Award for Industry Advancement of Research, Henry L.	
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Younger Members	
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ASCE RECOGNITIONS

The Society's recognitions fall into the following categories:

Awards for Papers -

Examples: J. James R. Croes Medal, Norman Medal, Thomas Fitch Rowland Prize

Awards for Individuals -

Examples: Arid Lands Hydraulic Engineering Award, Shortridge Hardesty Award

Awards for Projects -

Examples: Innovation in Sustainable Engineering Award, Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement Award

Award for Educational Programs -

Example: Walter LeFevre Award

With few exceptions, nominations are submitted via WUFOO forms. Links are provided on individual award webpages.

Unless specified in individual award rules, self-nominations are not accepted.

Step 1 – Review the inventory of Society Awards on pages 3-10. Identify the Society Award that best meets your candidate's attributes.

I am interested in nominating: _____

She/he is active in this Civil Engineering discipline: _____

I have identified the following Society Award as a match with my candidate: _____

I understand the entry deadline is: _____

_____ I have reviewed the award rules (<https://www.asce.org/career-growth/awards-and-honors>) and verify my candidate meets the award's criteria.

If you are nominating a paper, continue to page 12.

If you are nominating an individual, continue to page 17.

If you are nominating a project, continue to page 23.

If you are nominating an educational program, continue to page 30.

HOW TO NOMINATE A PAPER

The following instructions are valid for nominating a published paper. Please note: if you wish to nominate for the ASCE Excellence in Journalism Award, you will use a unique form, available at <https://www.asce.org/career-growth/awards-and-honors/asce-excellence-in-journalism-award/nomination-form>.

Step 1 – Completed on page 11.

Step 2 – Your complete nomination package must include:

- a) Your signed cover letter describing how the paper meets or exceeds the award's criteria.
- b) A completed WUFOO Nomination Form
- c) A copy of the published paper as it appears online.

Step 3 - Attach your complete package to the WUFOO form as a single PDF.

Step 4 - Once submitted, you will receive an immediate acknowledgement.

Questions? Contact awards@asce.org.

EXAMPLE – NOMINATION FOR A PAPER

Pages 14 - 16 are provided as reference.

Example - Nominator's cover letter

On your letterhead, if available for this purpose.

INSERT DATE HERE

Honors and Awards Program
ASCE
1801 Alexander Bell Drive
Reston, VA 20191-4400

Dear Selection Committee:

INSERT INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH HERE (e.g.: I am pleased to nominate **INSERT TITLE OF PAPER HERE** by **INSERT AUTHORS HERE** for the **INSERT NAME OF AWARD HERE**.)

TWO - FOUR PARAGRAPHS HERE THAT JUSTIFY HOW THE PAPER MEETS THE AWARD'S CRITERIA. AS THE AWARD IS FOR A PAPER, IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO PROVIDE THE AUTHORS' CV INFORMATION. YOU MAY WANT TO INCLUDE THE IMPACT THE AUTHOR'S RESEARCH HAS HAD ON CIVIL ENGINEERING.

INSERT CLOSING PARAGRAPH HERE (e.g. I recommend without qualification the paper by Roberta Necessary, Alberta Clipper, and George Great for the Samuel Arnold Greeley Award.)

Sincerely,

your signature

TYPE YOUR NAME AND CREDENTIALS HERE (e.g. Thelma Joyful, P.E., F.ASCE)

Your nomination package requires a full copy of the online version of paper as published in an ASCE Journal. The following image is for description purposes only.

Control Strategies for the Mitigation and Removal of Attached Manganese Biofilms

Abstract: Biofilm formation and manganese oxidizing bacteria (MOBs) in water transmission and distribution systems can lead to a wide array of water quality issues, operational problems, and negative hydraulic impacts. To investigate possible methods to control biofilm formation, a study using chlorine dioxide (ClO_2) and sodium hypochlorite (NaOCl) was performed with rotating annular reactors (ARs). Results showed that low (0.5 mg/L as ClO_2) and high (1.0 mg/L as ClO_2) doses of ClO_2 , and 2.0 mg/L as Cl_2 of NaOCl , were effective at mitigating biofilm to different extents by oxidizing readily available dissolved manganese (Mn) and iron (Fe) and/or inactivating biofilm populations. The most effective biofilm control strategy tested was a 2.0 mg/L dose of NaOCl , which provided significant reductions of suspended bacteria (2.1 log reduction), established biofilm (2.5 log reduction), and new biofilm growth (3.2 log reduction). Results from this study suggest that the implementation of treatment strategies for the control of existing and future biofilms should consider both (1) the removal of readily available metals by oxidation, and (2) the direct inactivation of attached bacteria. DOI: 10.1061/(ASCE)EE.1943-7870.0001288. © 2017 American Society of Civil Engineers.

Introduction

Biofilm formation in water transmission and distribution systems is ubiquitous, and has been a concern for water utilities worldwide (Picologlou et al. 1980). Historically, these biofilms have been responsible for water quality and operational problems, which include loss of disinfectant residuals, increased bacterial levels, reduction of dissolved oxygen, taste and odor changes, red or black water problems, microbial-influenced corrosion, and reduced materials' life (LeChevallier 1999). In addition, biofilms formed on the inside surface of pipelines have been found to increase hydraulic roughness, thereby lowering conduit capacity. Though biofilms are often very thin compared with the diameter of the conduit, the filamentous nature of the deposits has been found to reduce design flow capacity as much as 55% in some systems (Picologlou et al. 1980).

Manganese (Mn) and iron (Fe) deposition in biofilms is attributed to filamentous sheathed bacteria, such as *Leptothrix discophora*, which are capable of biological oxidation of Mn(II) to hydrous Mn(IV) oxides (Ghiorese 1984; Hope and Bott 2004). Such bacteria, referred to as manganese oxidizing bacteria (MOBs), are of particular concern because they have been recognized as a predominant species found in biofilms responsible for clogging and detrimental frictional effects in water system pipelines (Minkus 1954; Tyler and Marshall 1967). Manganese (II) has been found

to oxidize and deposit on many materials in water distribution systems, including concrete (Hale 1930), steel (Kielemeos et al. 2002), cast iron (Cerrato et al. 2006; Zacheus et al. 2001), and PVC pipes (Cerrato et al. 2006; Murdoch and Smith 1999).

Oxidation of Mn is a biocatalytic process that occurs by various means, including: (1) primary intracellular oxidation by enzymatic action; (2) adsorption of dissolved Mn at the surface of the cell membrane (a bond forming between Mn^{2+} and the negatively charged extracellular polymers), followed by oxidation by enzymatic action; and (3) simple catalysis in the vicinity of the cell, under the influence of the biopolymers secreted by the bacteria (Mouchet 1992). Manganese oxidation by MOBs typically is much more rapid than abiotic oxidation by dissolved molecular oxygen (Ehrlich 1996). For example, Mn(II) oxidation rates have been shown to increase by four orders of magnitude in oxygen-rich water in the presence of MOBs at pH of 7.8 (Hastings and Emerson 1986).

Traditionally, drinking water biofilms were controlled chemically with sodium hypochlorite (NaOCl). However, concerns regarding disinfection byproduct (DBP) formation, including trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAAs), led to the investigation of alternative treatments. Several studies investigated monochloramine (NH_2Cl) as an alternative to chlorine for biofilm treatment because of the lower DBP formation potential and residual stability (LeChevallier et al. 1990; Chandry and Angles 2001; Ollon et al. 2003; Camper et al. 2003; Gagnon et al. 2004; Dykstra et al. 2007). These studies provided varying results regarding the ability of chloramines to penetrate and control the growth and accumulation of biofilms.

Chlorine dioxide (ClO_2) also has been used as an alternative chemical treatment for biofilm control because it produces fewer THMs and HAAs than chlorine, and has shown to be a more effective disinfectant under certain conditions (Hoffman et al. 1999). Chlorine dioxide treatment in drinking water, however, can result in the production of other DBPs, such as chlorite (ClO_2^-) and chlorate (ClO_3^-). Specifically, ClO_2^- must remain below the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 1.0 mg/L (USEPA 1999). The conversion of dissolved ClO_2 to ClO_2^- and ClO_3^- can differ by water source, but typically has been found between 30 and 70% of the ClO_2 added (Gordon 2001;

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HOW TO NOMINATE AN INDIVIDUAL

The following instructions are for those nominating a person for an award.

Step 1 – Completed on page 11.

Step 2 - Before proceeding further answer these questions:

(a) Does the award you have identified require ASCE membership? If so, does your candidate meet this requirement?

_____YES _____NO

(b) Does the award have an age requirement? If so, does your candidate meet this requirement?

_____YES _____NO

Step 3 – Your complete nomination package must include:

- a) Your signed cover letter describing how your candidate meets or exceeds the award's criteria. Because your package will include the candidate's bio or CV, do not repeat their background.
- b) A completed WUFOO nomination form. [See next page for information about citations.](#)*
- c) Two-three reference letters, in which recommenders offer how the candidate meets the award criteria.
- d) The candidate's bio or CV. Please limit it to no more than 25 pages.

Step 4 - Attach your complete package to the WUFOO form as a single PDF.

Step 5 - Once submitted, you will receive an immediate acknowledgement.

Questions? Contact awards@asce.org.

The Importance of Citations

In the case of nominations for individuals, citations play an important role.

- *The citation is used as a rationale for why the candidate is being recommended as a winner.*
- *The citation is used in ASCE publicity about the winner.*
- *The citation appears on the winner's certificate if the award provides for one.*

The citation is no more than 40 words in length and always begins with "For" as shown in the following examples:

"For her technical accomplishments, leadership, and commitment to mentoring women pursuing engineering careers which concur with the ideals the award's namesake championed throughout her life."

"For technical contributions of national and international significance in risk analysis, risk management and lifecycle economics of civil infrastructure, including resilience and sustainability in a changing climate."

"For his exceptional wide-ranging research on arid lands hydrology and hydraulics, including analyzing the vulnerability of the U.S. water supply system to climate change, and observationally demonstrating the complementary relationship of evapotranspiration, and for his outstanding teaching and mentoring."

"For fundamental contributions to advancing the science on the fate and transport of polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and other emerging contaminants in aquatic and terrestrial systems that leads to guidelines and models for subsurface remediation."

"For seminal work on theoretical and computational methods related to wave propagation and inverse scattering problems, with applications to the imagining of biological and engineered systems."

EXAMPLE – NOMINATION FOR AN INDIVIDUAL

Pages 20 to 22 are provided as reference.

Template – Nominator’s cover letter

On your letterhead, if available for this purpose.

INSERT DATE HERE

Honors and Awards Program
ASCE
1801 Alexander Bell Drive
Reston, VA 20191-4400

Dear Selection Committee:

INSERT INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH HERE (e.g.: I am pleased to nominate **INSERT CANDIDATE’S NAME** for the **INSERT NAME OF AWARD HERE**.)

TWO - FOUR PARAGRAPHS HERE THAT JUSTIFY HOW YOUR CANDIDATE MEETS THE AWARD’S CRITERIA. AS YOUR PACKAGE WILL INCLUDE THE CANDIDATE’S CV, THERE IS NO NEED TO REPEAT IT HERE. INSTEAD, WE SUGGEST DISCRIBING THE IMPACT THEY HAVE HAD ON THEIR ENGINEERING DISCIPLINE, THEIR IMPORTANT RESEARCH OR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ETC.

INSERT CLOSING PARAGRAPH HERE (e.g.: I recommend without qualification the paper Roberta Necessary for the Stephen D. Bechtel Pipeline Engineering Award.)

Sincerely,

your signature

TYPE YOUR NAME AND CREDENTIALS HERE (e.g. Thelma Joyful, P.E., F.ASCE)

Example – Reference letter. You will need 2-3 letters. Authors should be those who can speak with authority about the qualifications of the candidate. Letters should be original and should not duplicate one another. Reference letters must be collected by the nominator and included in the final package.

On your letterhead, if available for this purpose.

INSERT DATE HERE

Honors and Awards Program
ASCE
1801 Alexander Bell Drive
Reston, VA 20191-4400

Dear Selection Committee:

INSERT INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH HERE (e.g.: I am pleased to recommend
INSERT CANDIDATE'S NAME for the INSERT AWARD NAME.)

TWO - FOUR PARAGRAPHS HERE THAT JUSTIFY HOW YOUR CANDIDATE MEETS THE AWARD'S CRITERIA. AS THE FINAL NOMINATION PACKAGE WILL INCLUDE THE CANDIDATE'S CV, THERE IS NO NEED TO REPEAT IT HERE. INSTEAD, WE SUGGEST DESCRIBING THE IMPACT THEY HAVE HAD ON THEIR ENGINEERING DISCIPLINE, THEIR IMPORTANT RESEARCH OR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ETC.

INSERT CLOSING PARAGRAPH HERE (e.g.: I recommend without qualification George
Great for the Stephen D. Bechtel Pipeline Engineering Award.)

Sincerely,

your signature

TYPE YOUR NAME AND CREDENTIALS HERE (e.g. Thelma Joyful, P.E., F.ASCE

The final document in this submission is the candidate's CV/bio

Please limit it to no more than 25 pages.

HOW TO NOMINATE A PROJECT

ASCE has two Society Awards for projects. They are Innovation in Sustainable Engineering Award and Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement Award.

The Official Nomination form is not used for this entry.

For the Innovation in Sustainable Engineering Award, use the form available at <https://www.asce.org/-/media/asce-images-and-files/career-and-growth/awards--and-honors/documents/innovation-in-sustainable-engineering-award-nomination-form.pdf>

For the Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement Award, use the form available at <https://www.asce.org/-/media/asce-images-and-files/career-and-growth/awards--and-honors/documents/ocea-award-nomination-form.pdf>

The following example applies to the Innovation in Sustainable Engineering Award, but also applies to the Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement Award.

Step 1 – Completed on page 11.

Step 2 – Your complete nomination package must include:

- a) Your cover letter as described in the entry form.
- b) A completed entry form.
- c) Photos as described in the entry form.

Step 3 - Submit your complete package (single PDF preferred) to awards@asce.org.

Step 4 - Once submitted, you will receive acknowledgement, generally within 24 hours. If you have not received notification, please follow up.

Questions? Contact awards@asce.org.

EXAMPLE – NOMINATION FOR A PROJECT

Pages 25 to 29 are provided as reference.

[Redacted]

October 25, 2018

ASCE
Honors and Awards Program Office
1801 Alexander Bell Drive
Reston, VA 20191-4400

Dear ASCE Innovation in Sustainable Engineering Award Committee Members, On behalf of [Redacted] and the entire project team, I'm proud to nominate [Redacted] for the 2019 ASCE Innovation in Sustainable Engineering Award. This project provides [Redacted] with an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable power plant made possible by innovative technology and dedicated collaboration.

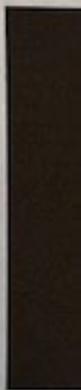
In addition to providing a long-term power generation solution for the community, [Redacted] is a landmark achievement for the largest infrastructure project in city history. The plant demonstrates a paradigm shift in the power industry by providing a new gateway to the city, restoring native wetlands for the community, and expanding the well-known snow-melt system to meet harsh winter demands.

The construction of a power plant is an enormously complex and challenging project in itself, especially when the plant was determined to be built on the eastern edge of a busy downtown area. The preliminary design of the plant laid out technical requirements, but the engineering team was then further challenged by the [Redacted] who invited an Architectural Blue Ribbon Panel of educational, environmental, and community leaders to make the project a destination and a worldclass resource that provides a sustainable, long-term energy source and educational hub.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted]





INNOVATION IN SUSTAINABLE ENGINEERING AWARD
ENTRY FORM

Entries for the Innovation in Sustainable Engineering Award require a complete nomination package that includes this entry form. Entries are due to the Honors and Awards Program office by 5:00 PM Eastern Time, April 22 (Earth Day).

PROJECT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

As this award seeks to recognize built civil infrastructure projects, nominations of plans, drawings or other pre-construction documents are not eligible.

Projects can be entered if they meet the following requirements. Identify your project by checking the appropriate box and attesting to its eligibility:

- I. Projects that demonstrate innovation in sustainability are eligible.
 - Project demonstrates innovation in sustainability.
- II. Projects developed or implemented in the six-year period preceding the year of award are eligible.
 - Project open date October 20, 2017
- III. Projects not candidates for the Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement (OCEA) Award are eligible.
 - Project is not a candidate for the OCEA Award.

Nominator's name: _____ Signature: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email address: _____

Describe the nominator's role:

- Nominator only
- Active in the project

If active in the project, describe activity: Project manager for owner's engineer.

Electronic submissions are encouraged to awards@asce.org. Paper submissions are also accepted, in which case the original complete nomination package must be mailed to the Honors and Awards Program office, ASCE, 1801 Alexander Bell Drive, Reston, VA 20191-4400.

Proceed to the next pages to complete your entry.

I. PROJECT INFORMATION

If your project is selected for the award, a personalized trophy will be presented. Complete this section to better describe your project.

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Innovation in Sustainable Engineering Award

II. ABOUT THE PROJECT – Award Criteria

A.

Describe the extent to which innovative design or construction methods improve the economic, social and environmental sustainability. (500 words or less)

DESIGN FOR EFFICIENT POWER GENERATION

Choosing natural gas over the previously proposed coal plant allowed the community to minimize their carbon footprint. The choice, along with a holistic approach to energy efficiency, will contribute to halving the community's carbon footprint over the next 40 years.

Early in the design phase, the team implemented an energy reduction plan — incorporating LED lights, "dark sky" lighting, leaving the switchyard and cooling tower mostly dark, and designing just enough light across the grounds for safety. Additionally, insulating and sealing the building envelope, and using efficient mechanical systems contribute to the building being 30 percent more efficient than required code. Plus, by designing the plant with low-flow fixtures and native plants, the team reduced total water use by 25 percent over baseline estimates.

Finally, the plant can discharge cooling tower blow-down and stormwater runoff into an on-site lagoon. While reducing the flow discharged to city sewers, the plant will also save money for ratepayers, delay rate increases and further _____ commitment to being good stewards of financial resources.

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFORTS CONTINUE OUTSIDE THE PLANT

Bordered by 15 acres of scenic wetlands, the new community park features overlooks, water features, and bike paths and is a natural segue into community trails. By enclosing major equipment, the team preserved views from _____ and _____. It will also connect the _____ trail system to _____.

The project team took extreme measures to conserve wildlife. To begin, they completed a biodiversity assessment, which inventoried animals in the habitat and the impacts of construction and plant operation. They also teamed up with _____ Young Connections and _____ to build bird and bat boxes, clean up trails and restore the wetlands.

Prior to revitalization, the neglected site was riddled with invasive species, including Japanese and Giant Knotwood, Phragmites, and others. The project used eradication strategies to remove the invasive species and seeks to re-establish threatened, endangered and species of concern, which also will help remove the invasive species.

RECYCLING THE DECREPIT NEIGHBORHOOD

Declared a brownfield prior to construction, site cleanup included recycling 12,000 tons of building materials, 350 tires and 390-cubic-feet of plywood. The team salvaged fixtures, and repurposed tree trunks for landscaping and wildlife habitats, and reused two structures and a historic house during construction. Upon project completion, two structures were sold for reuse, while the historic house was auctioned and relocated. In total, nearly 65 percent of materials were reused, and 89 percent of materials were diverted from landfills.

Site excavation resulted in no soil or material being taken off-site except two contaminated areas. The team also used locally sourced material whenever possible. Nearly 65 percent of materials used in construction were regionally sourced, while more than 80 percent of the new plant's components can be disassembled and recycled at the end of their useful life.

B.

Describe the promise shown by the innovation to extend future developments in sustainability which may be evidenced in part by Envision rating and / or institute, section or branch sustainability awards. (500 words or less)

The new [redacted] is the first power plant to receive the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure's Envision Platinum verification, validating the community's 40-year plan for a sustainable energy future and to reduce energy demand throughout the city. The new plant meets several environmental objectives, including a modern building design with an insulated and sealed building envelope, a 50 percent reduction in carbon emissions, the virtual elimination of solid particle pollutants, doubling the previous plant's efficiency, a one-of-a-kind public space and trail system, and the latest in combined-cycle natural gas generating technology.

As the first Envision Platinum-verified energy plant, [redacted] offers a blueprint for other utility companies to meet environmental objectives. Not only did [redacted] build one of the most efficient plants, but they did so while restoring a rundown area within the city, rehabilitating the natural environment and integrating the plant with other sustainability efforts citywide.

INTEGRATING NEW INDUSTRIAL IN THE CITY

With [redacted] online, industrial-looking power plants may be a thing of the past. [redacted] brings a new approach to what a power facility and design process should look like. Combined with a blue ribbon panel of local leaders, architects hosted three workshops with [redacted] and city officials, as well as representatives from [redacted]. [redacted] features walking trails, gardens, mature trees, reflecting ponds, restored native plant species and refreshed wetlands — a far cry from the site's previous junk piles, worn-out houses and old industrial buildings. Designed to make people feel comfortable, other communities have taken note — with several inquiring about the community energy plan and sustainable return on investment process.

PLANT RESILIENCY AT THE FOREFRONT

[redacted] sought a location for [redacted] where flooding concerns were minimal. Site grading further raised the plant out of the 500-year floodplain, and the team took extra steps to reduce the quantity of impervious surfaces at the site — reducing the total by more than 10 percent.

NEIGHBORHOOD SOUND ANALYSIS

Because of the vicinity of the new plant to a residential neighborhood, the team conducted an ambient noise survey prior to construction to understand the area's existing noise level. During construction, another survey was completed to further understand the impact on surrounding neighbors. The team completed a final study to predict the plant's noise levels at full operation. [redacted] instituted a self-imposed limit of 50 dBA at the property boundary and implemented design features intended to ensure compliance with the self-imposed limit. The design features included ultra low-noise cooling tower fans, a cooling tower barrier wall, inlet silencers, and the plant enclosure itself.

C.

Describe the degree to which the project extends the public's understanding of sustainability in engineering and construction as demonstrated by working with the public at the planning, design, construction and operation stages of the project. (500 words or less)

After more than five years in litigation during the conceptual phase and escalating costs of proposed power projects for the next half-century, the [redacted] partnership with [redacted] to carry out an exhaustive, first-of-its-kind sustainable return on investment study to look at the financial, social, economic, environmental and health impacts of various generation options. [redacted] launched Power for the 21st Century (P21), a community outreach, engagement and communications effort. Through the process, [redacted] gained unanimous consensus that natural gas with a supplemental renewable power purchase agreement for was the best way forward.

The project was developed with the leadership of an architectural blue ribbon panel of education, environmental and community leaders who sought to make [redacted] both a destination and a gateway to downtown [redacted], which integrates into the surrounding natural space. The project meets three goals: to be a world-class resource that provides a sustainable, long-term energy source and an educational hub; to be a destination that provides public activities to connect people to the community; and to be a gateway — enhancing access to open space and allowing people to enjoy the area. To accomplish this, the team hosted several education sessions with experts speaking on potential fuels, electric generation, district heating, transmission and energy conservation to further educate the community.

INTUITIVE DESIGN FOCUSES ON SERVING AND EDUCATING THE PUBLIC

Cutting through the center of the plant, the "red spine" features a \$1.2 million visitors center — an interactive space to learn about energy at home and in the community. Built with a community panel to determine the exhibits and learning experiences, the spine also functions as a science museum, offering views into the guts of the power plant, exhibits and touch-screen stations that teach the public how the plant operates. Visitors can also play a game to create an energy-efficient home. The grand opening in early October was attended by more than 250 people and included local dignitaries. Going forward, the space will be open to the public for self-guided tours and group visits.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

None of this would be possible without the community's input. From the launch of the community energy plan to today, there has been resounding support for the project. A linchpin in that support was the Power for the 21st Century (P21) communication plan, which demonstrated [redacted] commitment to broad-based community engagement to inform the community about critical decisions and issues, as well as solicit their input. [redacted] website featured information on decision-making, feedback and the project. The P21 process stood as a complete and transparent record of the process from beginning to end. This could not have been more apparent than the three days when the heat recovery generators were moved through [redacted] — which arrived to cheering spectators lining the route. A year after its opening, the plant has welcomed more than 3,600 visitors and counting.

D.

Describe how collaboration was an important aspect of the project as demonstrated by significant participation by other disciplines on the team. (500 words or less)

The [redacted] project demonstrates the power of collaboration from start to finish. The P21 Process and blue ribbon architectural panel brought community stakeholders together with project the [redacted] and [redacted] to determine the look of the final project. [redacted] worked with [redacted] and [redacted] through a value engineering and open-book contract period to further define and finalize the project scope and materials. The project participants worked tirelessly to collaboratively define and execute the project.

As the owner's engineer, we tapped a diverse range of expertise from more than 70 of our teammates to help bring the project to life. We listened closely to understand stakeholders' concerns and priorities by leading a Sustainable Return on Investment process — a first-of-its-kind for the power generation industry — in tandem with a traditional alternatives analysis. One option rose to the top: a 2-on-1 combined cycle plant. Our architects then worked with stakeholders to capture the essence of what the plant and site could become.

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