

Purpose To recognize an individual, team, or organization for the development, management and implementation of a creative idea, program, process, or system that enhances the delivery of public works services to the public. A management Innovation is defined as a procedure such as a system, program or process.

Eligibility Anyone actively involved in the public works profession is eligible. APWA membership is not required.

Selection The Awards Committee reviews the nominations and selects the award winners.

- Criteria**
- Innovations will be judged on the overall positive effect it has made on the agency, the public and/or the community relative to the delivery of public works services.
 - Innovations can be nominated for new and creative methods and programs that may include, but not limited to administration, training, procurement, operations, human resources, finance or other activities or programs that improves efficiency, are cost effective, disseminate information or educate the public and/or personnel and result in exceptional delivery of public works services that improves the quality of life.
 - Innovations must be proven cost effective and a sustainable success. It is not merely an idea that has merit and may be successful in the future. The innovation must be the successful implementation of new methods or programs.
 - Innovations must be significant advancements, rather than the result of natural evolution of existing methods, common sense or good practice.
 - Innovations must be well-documented and presented in a manner that describes the deficiency and/or challenge and the results of innovation implementation. Innovators, their teams and/or their agencies/employers must disclose sufficient information about the innovation for the Awards Committee review.

Nomination Process Nominations can be made by any public agency or APWA chapter. Submittal should include nomination form and supporting documentation.

Deadline March 4, 2019 (electronic submittals only)

Presentation The award winners are presented with a plaque at the Awards Recognition Ceremony during PWX and are featured in APWA publications.

- 2017** Project Server, York Region, Ontario
- 2016** Right-of-Way Management Systems, Laclede Gas Company, St. Louis, MO
- 2015** Neighborhood Partnering Program, City of Austin, TX
- 2014** Assumption of the Public Works Department, City of Junction City, KS
- 2013** Alternate Work Week Schedule, City of Fairway, KS
- 2012** Oregon Transportation Investment Act III State Bridge Delivery Program, Oregon Department of Transportation
- 2010** Public Works University, Lee's Summit, MO
- 2009** Dave Ackley, Stormwater Supervisor, City of Golden, CO
- 2008** Drinking Water Quality Management System, Lake Huron and Elgin Area Primary Water Supply Systems, Komoka, ON
- 2007** Native Plant Community Policy, Johnson County, IA, Secondary Road Department
- 2006** Alternative Project Delivery Method Contracting, Engineering Division, City of Chandler, AZ