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2017 SPECIAL RECOGNITION/FRIEND OF CONSERVATION AWARD

Purpose

To recognize an individual, business, organization, agency, etc. outside of the association and its membership for outstanding contributions to conserving Wisconsin's natural resources.

Eligibility

Nominees can be any public or private individual, organization or partner agency that collaborates with a land conservation department, department staff, or land conservation committee either through their daily work, specific project or conservation practice, and/or leadership displays a commitment or approach to land and resource management.

Guidelines

Nominations may be made by either a land conservation department (LCD) staff or land conservation committee (LCC) supervisor.

Leadership, effectiveness and the nominee's efforts to demonstrate a commitment to conservation shall be important factors in judging this award. Nominations should consist of a brief description (500 words or less) of the nominee's efforts to demonstrate the following:

- Ways in which he/she performs normal duties with exceptional quality.
- Outstanding contributions to better public understanding of natural resource conservation and the goals of the LCD.
- Providing outstanding financial, personal or other assistance to a land conservation department or conservation program.
- Exceptional service in furthering the cause of the LCD, strengthening conservation partnerships and assistance the programs of the LCD.
- Other special attributes or characteristics.

Procedure

Entries should be submitted before **December 31, 2016** to WI Land+Water, 131 West Wilson Street, Suite 601, Madison, WI 53703 or email to chris@wisconsinlandwater.org. The WI Land+Water Professional Improvement Committee will review submittals and announce the winner(s) by January 25, 2017. Recognition of the State Award will be provided at the annual WI Land+Water Conference held March 15-17, 2017. The winner is responsible for travel and lodging expenses; awards dinner banquet meal for the winner will be provided by WI Land+Water.

If deemed appropriate, state winners will be considered to be forwarded on nationally for consideration of the National Association of Conservation Districts' Friend of Conservation Award.

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NOMINATION INFORMATION**

- 1) Please provide the following information:
 - Name, address and contact information (phone and email address, if available) of the nominee.
 - Title and years of service of nominee, if applicable.
 - Name, address and contact information of the nominator.

- 2) Summarize your entry in five sentences or less.

- 3) Tell us in 500 words or less how the nominee meets the award criteria and guidelines.