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• Being an active member of their respective state organization
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• Demonstrating progressive volunteerism for NGWA
• Possessing a good attitude with leadership qualities
• The basic qualities of honesty, integrity, accountability, and dependability
• Promoting groundwater and groundwater issues to the industry and the general public.

*NGWA membership required.

John Hem Award
Presented in recognition of significant, recent (within the past five years) scientific or engineering contributions to the understanding of groundwater. The award is given for contributions to either a single publication or a body of works.

Keith E. Anderson Award
Acknowledges outstanding contributions made to NGWA. NGWA members, volunteers, or other significant groundwater notables are eligible to be nominated in this category.

Manufacturers Section
Special Recognition Award
Recognizes an individual’s accomplishments in the groundwater manufacturing industry including, but not limited to, industry improvements, special education contributions, patents and technology.

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Submission
Complete nomination package must reach NGWA headquarters no later than June 1. Nominations may be submitted via email to Erin Rodgers at erodgers@ngwa.org, or by filling out an online nomination form and then sending all supporting documentation via email. Nominators will be contacted confirming their nomination was received and informed of any additional documentation required to complete the package. Nominees who submit incomplete nominations will have until the submissions deadline to send in missing items.

Review of Nomination
The NGWA Awards Committee reviews all eligible nominations within 60 days after the submission deadline.

Assistance
If you have any questions concerning the NGWA Awards Program or need assistance in preparing a nomination for submission, please contact NGWA Awards Committee Staff Liaison, at (800) 551-7379 or (614) 898-7791, fax (614) 898-7786; email awards@ngwa.org.
NGWA Outstanding Groundwater Project Awards

Project by project, NGWA members and industry businesses work to advance groundwater resource initiatives through imagination, creativity, and innovation.

This drive for excellence deserves to be recognized and celebrated!
Nominated projects should demonstrate:
• Originality or uniqueness on providing new insights into groundwater supply, protection, remediation, or public awareness
• Creativity and imagination in engineered or constructed solutions
• Use of solid groundwater principles.

Groundwater Supply Award
Recognizes outstanding science, engineering, and/or contractor innovation that resulted in significant positive change in the area of supplying groundwater. The project should demonstrate excellence in providing groundwater to an intended end-use. Groundwater storage, recharge, and geothermal projects may be submitted under this category.

Groundwater Remediation Award
Recognizes exceptional science, engineering, and/or contractor innovation that resulted in significant positive change in the area of groundwater remediation. Nominated projects should demonstrate excellence in restoring contaminated groundwater or over-drafted groundwater resources. Projects involving the use of contaminated groundwater for a new beneficial purpose may be submitted under this category.

Groundwater Protection Award
Presented in recognition of exceptional science, engineering, and/or contractor innovation that resulted in significant positive change in the area of protecting groundwater resources. The nominated project should be an example of excellence in protecting groundwater from either overdraft or contamination. Projects relating to saltwater intrusion, groundwater/surface water interference, and conjunctive use may be submitted under this category.

Groundwater Awareness Award
Presented in recognition of outstanding and innovative groundwater public awareness/public relations programs, projects, and campaigns. Nominated projects should demonstrate excellence in creating awareness by the public on groundwater resources and their importance and conservation. Projects involving strategic year-round communications programs, public engagement and community involvement initiatives, and crisis communication and response may be submitted under this category.

NGWA Awards of Excellence

The NGWA Awards of Excellence represent the highest quality in standards and business practices. Recipients are recognized for outstanding contributions through service, safety, research, and innovations of scientific and technological importance that positively impact the advancement and well-being of the groundwater industry.

*Ross L. Oliver Award
Established in honor of Ross L. Oliver by his family, this is the most prestigious award given by NGWA. It is presented to a member who has made outstanding contributions to the groundwater industry.

M. King Hubbert Award
NGWA’s highest scientific honor which is presented to a person who has made major science or engineering contributions to the knowledge of groundwater through research, technical papers, teaching, and practical applications.

Robert Storm Intersectional Cooperation Award
Presented to a person or team who through their activities or written works strongly demonstrated and contributed to the promotion of collaboration and enhanced cooperation among all groundwater professionals.

Technology Award
Presented to a person who has made a major contribution to the groundwater industry in the development of ideas, tools and equipment, techniques of well construction, and who has shown exemplary service in sharing these ideas and developments with their industry constituents.

Equipment Design Award
Presented to an individual or team for excellence in the design of equipment or a product that promotes safety as well as efficiency and ease of operation. The equipment or product must have been in production for no less than one year and may or may not be eligible for a patent.

*Individual Safety Advocate Award
Recognizes an individual who has made notable contributions to promote and improve safety in daily working operations. This contribution may be evidenced by the individual’s actions in response to an existing accident to reduce future incidents or the development of a product or safe working practice that could have widespread industry applications to achieve a safer work environment.

Special Recognition Award
Recognizes an individual or organization that has demonstrated dedication, service, and commitment to the groundwater industry and community through achievement on a local or regional level that would not normally be known at the national level.

*Life Member Award
Presented to retired members, or members of retirement age, who have contributed special service to the furtherance of the groundwater industry or to NGWA. Recipients retain all privileges of NGWA membership but are exempt from membership fees.

Honorary Member Award
Presented to persons of eminence from outside the groundwater industry who have contributed some special service to the industry or NGWA. Honorary members are exempt from membership fees.

*NGWA membership required.