

## CWEA Awards Program



### Purpose:

- To recognize outstanding professional achievements within the wastewater field.
- To improve the professional status of all personnel working in the wastewater industry and related fields
- To stimulate public awareness of the importance of wastewater treatment to public health and the water environment.

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## CWEA Award Program Overview

Categories – 23 categories of awards

Nomination Forms are available on/or before July 1<sup>st</sup>. They are sent to Local Section Presidents and Awards Chairs and are downloadable from the CWEA website.

Standing Committees review all nominations and conduct site visits and telephone interviews as noted on the nomination forms.

Winners and non-winners are notified of their status three weeks prior to the Annual Conference.

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## Awards Criteria & Tips

Nominations due to CWEA Office:

◆ **The Second Friday in January**

Nominees must have won at the local section level

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Committees may submit nominations - but may not submit for their own award category.

Each Local Section determines if winner(s) or Awards Chair will be responsible for submitting nominations to the State.

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## Awards Submission Tips

Submit attachments when requested

Submit four (4) complete nomination packets

Collection System of the Year - submit 5-15 minute VHS or DVD of the nominated plant.

Pretreatment, Pollution Prevention & Stormwater (P3S): Person of the year - submit six (6) copies

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## Lifecycle of a CWEA Award

Second Friday in JANUARY - Nominations due at CWEA office

Third Friday in JANUARY - Nominations sent to State Committees for review

JAN/FEB/MARCH - Committee Review Process (Site visits, additional questions for nominees, etc.)

mid MARCH - All winners and non-winners are notified of their award status by CWEA.

APRIL - Nominees certificates are presented at committee breakfasts held during Annual Conference

APRIL - Winners honored and plaques presented at the Awards Luncheon (last day of conference)

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## WEF Award Overview

- Collection System Award
- Outstanding Achievement in Water Quality Improvement
- Thomas R. Camp Medal
- Industrial Water Quality Achievement Award
- Charles Alvin Emerson Medal
- George Bradley Gascoigne Medal
- Public Education Award: Individual Member
- Quarter Century Operator's Club
- Phillip F. Morgan Medal
- Richard S. Engelbrecht International Activities Service Award
- Harry E. Schlenz Medal
- Hazardous Waste Management Award
- George J. Schroepfer Medal
- Honorary Membership
- Gordon Maskew Fair Medal
- Public Official Award

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### Lifecycle of a WEF Award...

Members submit WEF nominations to CWEA Membership & External Relations Committee (MER)- Second Friday in JANUARY  
MER reviews, selects nominees, and submits to WEF Awards Committee - April 1<sup>st</sup>  
WEF Awards Committees review and select winners & present to WEF Board for approval - July 1<sup>st</sup>  
Nominees and CWEA are notified of winners in July  
Winners announced, plaques and medals presented at WEFTEC in October

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### WEF Member Association Awards

CWEA picks the winners and informs WEF - we don't compete with other MAs.  
Frequency by which the award may be given is based on the MA's size. (Being the largest MA, CWEA may present these awards every year)

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### WEF Member Association Awards

Arthur Sidney Bedell Award - Presented to a WEF member to acknowledge extraordinary personal service to the Member Association  
William D. Hatfield - Presented to operators for outstanding performance & professionalism  
George W. Burke, Jr. Award - Acknowledges an active & effective safety program. MA has full freedom to develop own criteria. CWEA highest scoring Safety Award winner automatically awarded this award.

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### WEF Member Association Awards

Laboratory Excellence Award - Acknowledges excellence in Laboratory field. CWEA Laboratory Person of the Year automatically awarded.

Collection System Award - Presented to an individual for contributions to the advancement of the state of the art of wastewater collection. Previous year CWEA Pomeroy Award Winners are nominated for this award.

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### Hatfield & Bedell Selection Process

Members submit one page Biography and letter of nomination to CWEA:

◆ Second Friday in JANUARY

CWEA MER selects recipient & submits winners' names to WEF - FEBRUARY

Winners receive plaques at CWEA Annual Conference Banquet - APRIL

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### Burke & Lab Excellence Selection Process

■ CWEA's Lab Person of the Year is automatically put forth as WEF's Laboratory Excellence Winner

■ CWEA State Safety Committee selects Burke Award Winner - Chooses the highest scoring winner of the year's three category winners (small, medium & large)

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### Quarter Century Operators' Club

CWEA/WEF member submits directly to WEF  
(and submits a copy to CWEA)- JULY 1

WEF Notifies member & CWEA -  
JAN/MARCH

Winner Presented with Plaque at CWEA  
Awards Banquet at Annual Conference

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### Questions??

- Contact CWEA Staff:

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510-382-7800

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