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2018 Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards Application is Now Available



The Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards Program is New Jersey's premier awards program for recognizing outstanding environmental performance, programs and projects throughout the state. These awards recognize individuals, businesses, educators, institutions, communities, organizations, youth and others who have made significant contributions to environmental protection in New Jersey. To date, 170 entities have been recognized since the awards program was established in 2000.

Nominations can be submitted for the following categories:

- Clean Air
- Innovative Technology
- Environmental Education/Educator-Led Projects
- Environmental Educations/Student-Led Projects
- Water Resources
- Land Conservation
- Healthy and Sustainable Communities
- Healthy and Sustainable Businesses
- Healthy Ecosystems and Habitats

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Who is eligible?

Nominations are being accepted from individuals, organizations, institutions or businesses. You may nominate yourself or your employer, as well as another company, individual, institution or organization that you believe is worthy of recognition. In addition, all applicants/projects must:

- Be located in New Jersey;
- Be active within the year prior to their application submission date (information about additional related experience is welcome); and
- Agree to have their project shared with others through a written description to appear in the awards program, press materials and on the excellence awards website.

The DEP, other state agencies and state employees are ineligible for awards and cannot submit award applications.

How can I participate?

The application and information is available online at www.nj.gov/dep/awards/

Applications must be received by DEP staff by **Friday, October 5 at 5 p.m.** Applications can be submitted by email or mail. Electronic submissions should be sent to Marc Rogoff at **Marc.Rogoff@dep.nj.gov** or one copy of the application should be mailed to:

Marc Rogoff
Office of Communications
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Mail Code: 401-07, 401 East State Street
P.O. Box 402
Trenton, New Jersey 08625

For questions about the application or awards program, call Tanya Oznowich at (609) 984-9802 or email Tanya.Oznowich@dep.nj.gov

How and when are winners selected?

Groups of reviewers comprising professionals from the DEP will evaluate the applications. Each of the five judging criteria has an associated point value. The point values and criteria for each category can be viewed at www.nj.gov/dep/awards/18/app.pdf

The total number of points possible for each application is 100. Applications will only be scored on the responses to the five judging criteria (one page per criteria). A maximum of three additional pages of supporting materials such as articles, letters, diagrams, maps and photos will be accepted. The application and supporting materials cannot exceed nine pages (includes cover form).

Award winners will be honored at a luncheon in December in Trenton or elsewhere in Mercer County.

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