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BRITISH COLUMBIA

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Engineers and Geoscientists BC Environmental Award recognizes projects and professionals that have contributed towards environmental protection and environmental enhancement, whether as a standalone environmental project or as environmental considerations within a larger multi-disciplinary project. Projects may involve new or unique applications of established or new technology.

Sponsored by the Environmental Professionals Division (EPD), the award will be granted to a project that has demonstrated excellence in environmental engineering, environmental geoscience, environmental monitoring and public acceptability. One Award of Excellence may be granted annually.

PURPOSE

The Environmental Award will serve the following purposes:

- Highlight Engineers and Geoscientists BC's commitment to promoting the positive effects of the practices of environmental engineering and environmental geoscience.
- Educate and raise awareness of environmental geoscience and environmental engineering through the showcasing of projects with environmental benefits and the professionals responsible for those projects.
- Raise the profile of projects in the field of environmental engineering and environmental geoscience.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. The award is open to any project or environmental considerations built into a multi-disciplinary project that demonstrate outstanding achievement in environmental engineering and/or geoscience.
2. Project nominations must demonstrate the significant involvement of registrants of Engineers and Geoscientists BC as key contributor(s) to the project. Engineers and Geoscientists BC registered professionals can be individual members or part of a multidisciplinary team that includes other professional engineers, professional geoscientists, and/or members of other professions. The lead professional engineer and/or professional geoscientist on the project and who will accept the award on behalf of the project should be named in the submission.
3. Projects should be sufficiently complete to demonstrate success.
4. Completed projects must have been completed within the preceding five (5) years.
5. Projects can only be submitted for either the Sustainability Award or the Environmental Award, but not both.

6. At the discretion of the award sub-committee, the submitted project may be recommended to be considered for the Sustainability Award if it better suits the criteria for that award.

NOMINATION PROCEDURES

In order to facilitate receiving a significant number of nominations, Engineers and Geoscientists BC is piloting a one-page submission process for initial review of submissions. Each project should submit a one-page summary of the project, using the application form in Appendix A, for review by the Environmental Professionals Division award sub-committee.

Shortlisted applicants from the initial review will be contacted to submit a full nomination package.

A maximum of three (3) projects will be selected for further review. A full nomination submission must be in electronic format, not exceed ten (10) pages and consist of the following:

1. A written description of not more than five (5) pages that clearly describes the project, the involvement of Engineers and Geoscientists BC professionals in the project, and the reasons it qualifies for the Environmental Award, in electronic format. The written submission is to clearly indicate the lead professional engineer, professional geoscientist, or limited licensee to whom the award is to be presented to. The owner/client of the project is to also be clearly identified in the submission.
2. A project organization chart listing the key BC registered professional engineers and/or professional geoscientists with their project position and responsibility.
3. Confirmation that all participant organizations, regulatory authorities, sponsors and other key individuals involved in the project are aware of the nomination submission and the project owner's written approval for the release of information.
4. Colour photographs, illustrations, or drawings as necessary.
5. Additional supporting information provided at the nominator's discretion, including: copies of relevant report(s), specifications and/or performance data.

Nominations should be submitted in PDF or Word format via email. Photos may be included as .jpg or .gif files or embedded in the document. Hard copies are not required.

Nominations may be submitted to the Environmental Professionals Division by email at enviro.award@egbc.ca.

APPROXIMATE APPLICATION TIMELINE

Application deadline for the one (1) page initial submission.	January 31
Applicants notified to submit full submission.	Mid-February
Application deadline for the full submission.	Third Friday in March
Award sub-committee to review award submissions.	April – May
Award winner notified.	August

Award presented at the Engineers and Geoscientists BC Annual Conference.	October
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SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCESS

The Environmental Professionals Division award sub-committee will review the nominations and advise Council, through the Standing Awards Committee, on its selection based on criteria that include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Presentation of submission package
- Health and safety considerations
- Significance of environmental protection and/or enhancement achieved, support of alternative energy, and potential application of the technology/approach beyond the project itself and/or beyond normal regulatory requirements (without regard to project size).
- The comprehensive nature of the project as it pertains to the recognition of potential environmental impacts and application of appropriate mitigation measures.
- Demonstrated success of the project.
- Degree of responsibility exercised by Engineers and Geoscientists BC registrants who were part of the project team.
- Extent of public and other stakeholder consultation and consideration in the project, as appropriate for the project submitted.

The award sub-committee consisting of an odd number of people will select the award recipient by majority vote. Environmental Professional Division members working for an applicant company will not be eligible to participate in the evaluation of that company's project. The award sub-committee will seek follow up information on nominations, if and where required.

The Environmental Professionals Division reserves the right, after reviewing all applications, to determine whether or not an award is to be given.

NOTIFICATION OF WINNERS

The winner(s) will be notified by email in August and the award will be presented in October.

By provision of final submissions, the submitting organizations agree that Engineers and Geoscientists BC may advertise the award winner, and any awards of merit, in the media at the discretion of Engineers and Geoscientists BC.



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APPENDIX A: ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD APPLICATION FORM

Project Name:	
Location:	
Project Owner:	
Lead Consultants (where applicable):	
Lead Engineers and Geoscientists BC Professional(s):	
Project Status:	Year Completed (if applicable):
Time Period for which Data Exists (where data shows success of project to date):	
Project Description:	
Area(s) of environmental engineering and/or geoscience that the project involves:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drinking Water, Wastewater, or Stormwater Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Solid/Hazardous Waste Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Ecological/Habitat Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Groundwater Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Contaminated Sites/Brownfields/Site Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Air Pollution Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Achieved and additional future environmental benefits of the project:	

Please submit to enviro.award@egbc.ca upon completion