



Pioneer of Reclamation Award

Criteria

This recognition is intended to highlight the accomplishments of people who have spent most of their career in the ecological reclamation subject areas and are considered as “founders” of the reclamation industry. This recognition can be given to numerous people each year if strong nominations are submitted. This award includes complimentary conference registration for the successful nominee and a complimentary conference tour or social event for the nominator.

Eligibility

Nominators and nominees may be members or non-members of ASRS and include the Awards committee. If Awards committee members nominate or are nominated, they will recuse themselves from the section process.

Submission Procedure

Preparation of a complete and thorough nomination package is important. It is recommended that the nominator solicits input and assistance from at least two individuals familiar with the nominee. Assistance from the nominee, if available, is acceptable and helps to ensure an accurate, complete nomination. The nominations must adhere to the procedures and format prescribed below while including three letters of endorsement from individuals personally familiar with the nominee and their accomplishments. One of these letters may be that of the nominator. An eight-page nomination limit (including letters) is recommended and may be returned to the nominator for length revisions, time permitting.

Nomination Information

Each nomination for recognition as a Pioneer of Reclamation shall contain the following information:

- Name of nominee for recognition as a Pioneer of Reclamation.
- Status of nominee; currently active, retired, deceased.
- Nominee’s current mailing and e-mail address.
- If deceased, name and address of closest relative who would receive the recognition if awarded.
- Number of years the nominee was (is) active in the reclamation of ecological disturbances in research or applied practice. Identify those years (e.g., 1960-1985).

- Employers and locations.
- Nature or type of reclamation activities and locations where reclamation took place.
- Previous recognition or awards by ASRS or other organizations.
- A description of how the nominee meets the criteria of this award. Include specific contributions or accomplishments. Provide specific details, including years of specific achievements and examples.
- Formal or informal research that may or may not have been published. If published, such reports or referred articles, please include literature citations, but no more than ten such items.
- Planning and implementing reclamation projects that were innovative, first of their kind, and were under harsh or difficult conditions.
- Discovered or developed new techniques or procedures that became standard, or that were the foundation of a technique or procedure.
- Provided leadership roles in developing practical approaches to reclamation regulatory considerations.
- Name, address, e-mail, and phone number of nominator.

There may be exceptions to some of the specific requirements in cases where nominee's reclamation contributions/accomplishments are at such an age that complete documentation and satisfaction of these criteria cannot be met. In these cases, the Awards Committee will review the specific accomplishment and determine whether to include it in the evaluation of the nomination.