



2026 Awards and Recognition Program

Outstanding Watershed Director of the Year Award

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Selection Guidelines:

- Past award winners may not reenter for a period of five (5) years after receiving an award. Commissioners are not eligible for Teacher of the Year Awards. Associate Commissioners are eligible for Teacher of the Year Awards.
- Regional Nomination forms must be received by SCACD no later than Tuesday, June 30, 2026, to be considered. If mailing nominations, please mail at least one week in advance to ensure receipt by the deadline. SCACD is NOT able to accept entries received after Tuesday, June 30, 2026.
- If, in the judgement of the judging panel of the Awards Committee, there is no nomination at hand that meets the criteria for a SCACD award, no award will be given.
- You MUST include a Cover Sheet with each nomination that includes the following detail: Award Category, Nominee's Name, Nominator, Date Submitted.
- Electronic files will be accepted as supplemental materials to the application. They will not be accepted in lieu of an application. Electronic files may include: newsletters, scanned letters of recommendation, photo files, Word documents, etc. Please do not submit more than 2 pages of electronic files per application.
- If submitting a nomination electronically, please consolidate all files into one PDF for each nomination.
- Please email your completed nomination to awards@scacd.org or mail a hard copy to SCACD, 5 Geology Rd. Columbia, SC 29212.
- Guidelines for each award must be strictly adhered to in order to be considered for the award.

Judging Panel of the Awards Committee:

The judging panel for the 2026 SCACD Regional Awards will be comprised of Area District Commissioners (up to 4), the SCDNR Conservation Districts Area Coordinator, the SCACD Area Representative, an NRCS Regions Representative (volunteer), and one Area District employee (volunteer).

Area Award winners will be submitted for statewide awards. Statewide winners will be nominees for National awards.



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Award Category:

Nominee's Name:

Nominated By:

Date Submitted:



2026 Outstanding Watershed Director of the Year Award Application

Candidate's Name: _____

Watershed: _____

District Submitting Nomination: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Years as a Director: _____

Past and Present Activities as a Watershed Director:

Write about their accomplishments as a Watershed Director and what they have done to improve and maintain their watershed. Include related organizations in which they belong and activities in which they participate. If enough space isn't provided below, you may attach a one-page summary of their accomplishments.

- Please send your completed applications to awards@scacd.org. You may include up to two pages of supporting documents (photos, newspaper articles, etc.) in addition to this application. Please be sure to include a photo of the candidate.