



::: *4th Quadrennial Contra Costa County Creek and Watershed Symposium*
::: **Changing Landscapes, Evolving Perspectives**
::: November 17, 2011 - Antioch Community Center

Call for Award Nominations

The Contra Costa Watershed Forum (CCWF) is seeking nominations of individuals and projects that have provided exceptional contributions to the creeks and watersheds of Contra Costa County since January 1st 2008. Past awardees are listed on the Contra Costa Watershed Forum website at:

<http://cocowaterweb.org/ccwf-projects/awards/>

Presentations of all awards will be made on November 17th at the 4th Quadrennial Contra Costa County Creek and Watershed Symposium in Antioch.

Nomination instructions and the three award categories are described below:

1) Watershed Champion

This award honors a person who worked to build partnerships and provide leadership in protecting, restoring or enhancing creeks and watersheds. He/she has inspired others to work collaboratively toward addressing conservation issues in Contra Costa County.

2) Contra Costa Watershed Forum Monitoring Program Volunteer

This person has been an exemplary participant in the CCWF's Creek Monitoring Program. He/she has gathered quality creek data, and/or made an important contribution to the Program. The Monitoring Program Volunteer will be selected based on the recommendation of the Monitoring Coordinator. The Monitoring Coordinator may select up to three people from this category -- one person from west, central and east Contra Costa County.

3) Outstanding Contra Costa Watershed Project

This award recognizes a project that restored, protected and/or enhanced a creek or watershed resource in Contra Costa County. Particularly outstanding public education and outreach projects on creek and watershed resources will also be considered. If the nominated project is a multi-year project, the bulk of the work needs to be completed by October 2011. It does not matter whether a project is funded through grants, private funds, or government funds so long as it has made a significant improvement in the quality of a watershed/creek in the County in 2008, 2009, 2010 and/or 2011.

How to Submit Your Nominations

Please include the following information on a 8.5” by 11” size sheet of paper (please limit each nomination to 1 page):

- Award Category
- Name of the Nominee/Project*
- Reasons for the Nomination
- Name and Contact Information of the Nominator

** For the “Outstanding Contra Costa Watershed Project,” please list participating and sponsoring individuals, groups and agencies.*

Deadline for Submission

Nominations must be **received** by October 20 at 4:30 p.m. Nominations will be accepted by email, fax or regular post (please only send once). Please see directions below.

Mail nominations so that they will be received by October 20 to:

Teresa Hunter
Contra Costa Resource Conservation District
5552 Clayton Road
Concord, CA 94521

OR

Email nominations to Teresa Hunter at teresa.hunter@ca.nacdnet.net

OR

Fax nominations to (925) 672-8064, attn: Teresa Hunter
Please call (925) 672-6522 x107 to confirm that the nomination has been received.

Selection Process:

The members of the Watershed Forum Executive Committee will review all of the nominations during the Executive Committee meeting on October 25 from 3-4 pm in Martinez. Currently, there are approximately six individuals who regularly attend this meeting. However, the Executive Committee meeting is open to everyone. If you are interested in participating in the award selection process, please contact Carol Arnold at carol.arnold@ca.nacdnet.net for meeting details. CCWF has the option of presenting multiple awards - or none as appropriate.

Questions:

If you have any other questions about the awards and award selection process, please contact Carol Arnold at carol.arnold@ca.nacdnet.net or 925-672-6522 x106.