

Technical & Management Innovation Award

Purpose: To recognize an individual, team, or organization for the development, management and implementation of a creative idea, device, process, or system that enhances the goals of public works in serving the public and protecting the environment.

Eligibility: Anyone actively involved in the public works profession is eligible. APWA membership is not required.

Selection: The Awards Committee reviews the nominations and selects the award winners.

Criteria: The following criteria are used in the selection process:

- Each nominated innovation is judged on its effect upon the provision of goods and services to the public. It can be an innovation in the process itself or in the materials, design, equipment, administration, management training, procurement of, etc., which improves, informs, or educates the delivery of public services and improves the quality of life. A project can be nominated for its innovative concepts or methods.
- The innovation must be a proven success. It must have had a positive and important effect on, improve the quality of, or reduce the cost of the delivery of public works goods and services. Innovation is the implementation of new methods and new technologies. It is not merely an idea that has merit and may be successful in the future.
- The innovation must be a significant advance, not just a natural evolution of existing methods, common sense or good practice.
- The innovation must be documented and presentable. Innovators, their teams and/or their agencies/employers must disclose sufficient information about the innovation to allow documentation for the Awards Committee.

Nomination Process: Innovations can be nominated by any public agency or APWA Member. Original submittal should include nomination form and supporting documentation.

Deadline March 6, 2026 (Rocky Mountain Chapter); e-mail nomination with supporting documents to rleland@helenamt.gov

Presentation: The award winners are presented with a plaque during Rocky Mountain Chapter Spring Conference, local media will be notified and information on the project will be included in the Chapter newsletter. Additionally, the Chapter will work with the award winner to prepare a nomination to be advanced to National for award consideration.

APWA Rocky Mountain Chapter Awards Program Technical & Management Innovation Nomination Form

Deadline:

Email on or before March 6, 2026

Forward to (electronic copy required):

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Candidate's Name/Program's Name:

Title:

Agency/Organization:

Mailing and Street Addresses:

City/State/Zip:

Phone/Fax Numbers:

E-mail:

Nominating Organization/Individual:

Title:

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