



ANNUAL WATER AND WASTEWATER OPERATOR OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM



Nomination Forms

The nomination form(s) and supporting documentation must be received by the CRWA office **no later than February 28, 2026.**

Nomination forms are also available at www.calruralwater.org/expo

Nominee Criteria

A nominee must be a certified water and/or wastewater operator, must have worked full time for the system for at least two years, and must have the appropriate certifications to operate that system. **The recipient of this award must be able to attend the 2026 CRWA Education Expo on April 28, 2026.**

Please fax, mail or email materials to:

CRWA
Attn: Candice Jackson
1234 North Market Blvd
Sacramento, CA 95834
e: candicej@calruralwater.org
f: 916.553.4904

This is your chance to brag about your system's personnel! Do you have a water and/or wastewater operator who goes above and beyond to excel in their management of your water system? If so, we want to know about them and give them the recognition they deserve for being the best in the business! **Each CRWA member system can submit one nomination in each field.** Selection of winners will be based on a submitted example of how the nominee has contributed to the system's operations and demonstrated their commitment to the system and its constituents. Information about the nominee's achievements both within and outside of the system, as well as letters of recommendation, will also be considered during the selection process. This is a great way to honor your exemplary water and/or wastewater operator!

SYSTEM CRITERIA

Nominations are accepted from water and wastewater systems that are members of CRWA. The system may nominate one operator for each category (water and wastewater). The system must be in compliance, or in the process of becoming compliant, due to the nominee's efforts. Nominations can be submitted by co-workers, management, boards or office staff.

NOMINATION DOCUMENTATION

The nomination form below must be accompanied with:

- Proof of the nominee's operator certification(s)
- Nominee's job description(s)
- A brief narrative description of the nominee's contributions to the system's operations and their commitment to the system (e.g., through letters of support from the system, SWRCB, community members, or board members), and an outline/description the nominee's achievements.
- Contact names and numbers for follow-up research by CRWA

SELECTION PROCESS

The nomination form(s) and supporting documentation must be received by the CRWA office no later than February 28, 2026. CRWA awards committee will select this year's award recipients on the basis of the nomination materials received and processed. Award recipients will be notified on or before March 30, 2026.

AWARD APPLICATION		
System Name:		
Nominee Name:		
Nominee Title:		
Nominated For: <input type="checkbox"/> Water Operator of the Year <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater Operator of the Year		
City:	State:	ZIP:
Phone:	Fax:	
Email:		
Submitted By (please print clearly):		
Please submit this form and required documentation no later than February 28, 2026 to: California Rural Water Association, ATTN: Candice Jackson at: 1234 North Market Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95834 • E-mail: candicej@calruralwater.org • Phone: 916.283.8502 • Fax: 916.553.4904		