

Western Council of Construction Consumers is currently accepting submissions for the Distinguished Projects Awards competition. The Awards ceremony will be held at an Awards Dinner in June. Projects should demonstrate effective execution, new, innovative ideas and strategies for improving the construction process and successful management of the relationships between the owner, contractors and service providers. Western Council is dedicated to recognizing distinguished, excellent and outstanding project performance with the primary goal being to educate and inform our members.

Western Council of Construction Consumers' Annual Distinguished Project Awards Program recognizes continuous improvement and excellence in engineering, design and construction of quality, cost-effective and innovative construction projects substantially completed by and/or for the Western Council membership prior to December 31, 2010.

AWARD CATEGORIES

Awards in the following categories will be presented during the Distinguished Project Awards Dinner.

Category

- Buildings
- Industrial Process/Manufacturing
- Infrastructure
- Advanced Technologies
- Utilities
- Open

A separate category has not been included for Safety; however, project safety will be considered in the evaluation of all submissions since Western Council believes that "outstanding performance" can be achieved only when accompanied by superior safety results.

AWARD STATUS DESCRIPTION

1. Distinguished:

Projects have achieved all objective criteria of meeting schedule, budget, and aesthetics with an extra ordinary safety record.

2. Exceptional:

Projects have achieved a substantial number of objectives regarding schedule, budget, aesthetics and safety.

3. Outstanding Achievement:

Projects have achieved a significant number of objectives and are noteworthy accomplishments.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for submission, the applicant or the project owner must hold an active membership in Western Council. All information must be complete and submitted by the deadline. Please be certain that the completion date of construction is in the appropriate time frame.

CRITERIA

- Construction of the project must have been substantially completed by December 31, 2010.
- The size of the project is not necessarily a criterion; however, awards may be given in different capital cost ranges for a particular category depending upon the total number of projects submitted.
- Projects with poor safety performance will not be considered for awards.
- Submission of more than one project, in one or more categories, is acceptable and encouraged.

JUDGING

An impartial panel of industry professionals will conduct judging with no direct connection to Western Council staff or membership.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Please do not include any information in your submittal that is confidential or that you would not want to be mentioned as part of the reason for winning an award. If you feel that there is confidential information that should be considered by the judges which you do not wish to be "published" in connection with the award, please submit such information under a separate cover clearly marked "confidential".

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants need to submit complete packages that include two (2) copies of the following items (per project submitted). All submissions must be in separate binders (3-ring recommended) to keep materials together. E-mail or cd-rom submissions will not be accepted.

1. Project Information Requirements

This enclosed form is supplied as a guide to help you prepare your submission. Provide the information requested for all projects to be evaluated.

2. Narrative

Describe the project and the reasons it warrants consideration as a Western Council Distinguished Project. Please limit the narrative to no more than 10 pages. Choose a format that best tells the story of your project. We encourage you to recognize superior performance by your project team(s). Address issues such as the following:

- Goals and objectives of the project -- state how effectively these objectives were met and quantify results whenever possible.
- Unique technical, design or material features of the project that distinguish it from other similar projects.
- Cost and schedule challenges -- elaborate on project organization, contractual relationships, partnering, team-building, etc.
- If appropriate, identify by name and function, key contributors to the success of the project (team members, vendors, etc.) and describe their contribution. Be specific.
- Project safety statistics.

3. Presentation and Graphics

- Color photos of the project (progress through completion) to give the judges a complete and accurate picture of the uniqueness and complexity of the project.

4. Other Items (Optional)

Press clippings about the project, letters of commendation, special awards received on the project or other related material.

RETURN OF SUBMISSIONS

Western Council will archive one copy of each submission. Requests for the remaining copy to be returned to the applicant must be made in writing to Western Council.

DUE DATE

Submissions are due **Thursday, March 31, 2011**.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS

Letters will be mailed by early May for each project submitted to announce award status. If your project is selected, you will be required to provide the following additional items:

- One series of photos on CD of the project (progress through completion) to give the judges a complete and accurate picture of the uniqueness and complexity of the project. These photos will also be used for the Awards Dinner presentation.
- One photo on CD showing the best shot of your project to be enlarged to poster size for display at the Awards Dinner and may be reproduced in publications.
- Word document of your submission; portions may be reproduced in publications.

MAIL SUBMISSIONS TO

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WCCC Distinguished Project Awards Program

Project Information Requirements

Please provide the following information for each submission:

AWARD CATEGORY *(choose one)*

- Advanced Technologies
- Buildings
- Industrial Process/Manufacturing
- Infrastructure
- Utilities
- Open

APPLICANT INFORMATION

- Company Name
- Contact Name
- Contact Address
- Telephone Number
- Fax Number
- E-Mail

PROJECT INFORMATION *(include contact information for all: name, address, tel, fax)*

- Name of Project
- Description
- Location *(City, State)*
- Owner
- Designer (A/E)
- Constructor
- Construction Manager
- Type of Contract
- Approximate Capital Value

BUDGET PERFORMANCE

- Original Budget
- Scope Changes and nature of changes
- Over/Under Budget
- Revised Budget

SCHEDULE PERFORMANCE

- Original Planned Construction Start & Completion Dates
- Design Start & Completion Dates
- Contract Completion Date
- Adjusted Contract Completion Date
- Actual Start & Completion Dates

SAFETY PERFORMANCE

- OSHA Total Recordable Injury Rate
- OSHA Lost Time Injury Rate

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Leed Certification or equivalent
- Contract Type
- State why the project merits an award.
- Describe the construction acquisition process
- Unique features and aspects of the project
- Describe the project's QA/QC process

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