# **Wyoming Chapter Awards Definitions**

#### OUTSTANDING WYOMING CHAPTER MEMBER

Open to all Wyoming Chapter members for significant contributions to the objectives of SWCS at the Chapter level. The contributions could include leadership, long-term dedication, special workshops or conferences, officer duties, committee responsibilities or special contributions in conservation or education.

While many of our members are directly employed in the natural resource conservation field, accomplishments should be related to the Chapter with support and involvement with the Wyoming Chapter. In other words, although it may be part of one's job responsibilities, the nomination will be considered if the project or work involved the Wyoming Chapter.

The nominee must be current in their membership, and member of the Wyoming Chapter. Nomination by Wyoming Chapter members.

### OUTSTANDING CHAPTER LEADERSHIP

Open to all Wyoming Chapter members for significant contributions to the objectives of SWCS at the Chapter level. The contributions must be specifically demonstrative of chapter leadership.

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#### OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO CONSERVATION - WYOMING

Open to non-members with employment or activities in agriculture and natural resource conservation fields. Activities may be related to improvement or management of wetlands and riparian areas, erosion control, rangelands and grazing systems, cropping systems, water quality (surface or groundwater), wildlife and fish habitat or a combination of the above. Nomination by Wyoming Chapter members.

# • OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION EDUCATOR - WYOMING

Open to non-members for contributions to natural resource and conservation education. May be through the Wyoming School system, special workshops or conferences, agricultural organizations or other educational programs. Nomination by Wyoming Chapter members.

## OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION NEWS REPORTER - WYOMING

Open to non-members in recognition of outstanding efforts in communicating natural resource conservation issues. May be the written word of newspapers and magazines or through the media of television or radio. Nomination by Wyoming Chapter members.

# OUTSTANDING 4-H AWARD IN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

Presented annually at the Wyoming State Fair. The Wyoming Chapter provides the plaque. Judging by State Fair 4-H officials.

# • RECOGNITION OF MANAGED NATURAL AREA

To recognize areas in which native vegetation is prominent. Eligible areas are those used for forestry, grazing, wildlife, recreation, nature center, watershed protection, scientific study or similar purposes. Recognition certificate and natural area directory listing. Nomination by Chapter.

### CHAPTER HORIZON AWARD

Must be a member of the Wyoming Chapter.

Must have been a member of SWCS for 10 years or less.

Candidate must have progressed satisfactorily within their profession.

Candidate must have been involved as an SWCS officer or on a committee. (Current Officers and Committee Chairs are eligible).

One Award may be made annually at the Annual Meeting if there is a quality nomination or candidate. The award winner will be decided on by the previous years winner in consultation with the Awards Committee until we have three winners. At that point it will be decided on by a committee of the last three Chapter Horizon Award winners subject to review by the Awards Committee to assure the selection meets eligibility criteria.

The Award will be presented by the winner from the previous year with only the selection committee and the Awards Committee knowing who it is beforehand