



New Mexico Water & Wastewater Association “Arthur Torrez Outstanding Facility Manager” Award

Award Purpose: The Arthur Torrez Outstanding Facility Manager Award recognizes exceptional leadership, dedication, and excellence in managing water and wastewater facilities. This award honors facility managers who demonstrate outstanding performance, innovation, and a commitment to environmental stewardship and public health.

CRITERIA:

- 1. Operational Excellence**
 - Demonstrates consistent, high-quality operation of the facility.
 - Maintains exemplary compliance with regulatory requirements, including safety, environmental, and operational standards.
- 2. Leadership and Team Development**
 - Exhibits strong leadership skills, fostering a positive work environment and encouraging professional growth among staff.
 - Implements practical training and mentoring programs for operators and staff.
- 3. Innovation and Problem-Solving**
 - Demonstrates the ability to implement innovative solutions to operational challenges.
 - Successfully incorporates new technologies or processes that improve efficiency, safety, or environmental impact.
- 4. Community Engagement**
 - Actively engages with the local community to promote awareness and education about water and wastewater services.
 - Participates in outreach programs, tours, or educational initiatives.
- 5. Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship**
 - Implement sustainable practices, including energy efficiency, water conservation, and waste reduction.
 - Shows a commitment to protecting the environment and public health.

Suggested applicant information guideline for the Arthur Torrez Outstanding Facility Manager Award:

The items listed are suggested applicable points that should be covered. This information items are for guideline purposes only.

- 1. Nominees must be actively employed as facility managers in the water or wastewater sector.**
- 2. The facility managed by the nominee must comply with all relevant regulatory standards.**

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3. Nominees must have at least five years of experience in water or wastewater facility management.
4. Nominees must be members of the New Mexico Water and Wastewater Association (NMWWA).

Nomination Process

1. Nominations can be submitted by peers, supervisors, or other water and wastewater industry professionals.
2. Nominators must complete the official nomination form and provide supporting documentation, including:
 - A detailed description of the nominee's achievements.
 - Examples of specific projects, initiatives, or accomplishments.
 - Letters of support from colleagues, supervisors, or community members (optional).

Selection Committee: A committee comprising members of the New Mexico Water and Wastewater Association (NMWWA), including industry experts and the past three award recipients, will review all nominations and select the award winner.

Award Presentation: The Arthur Torrez Outstanding Facility Manager Award will be presented annually at the NMWWA Annual Conference Awards Banquet, where the recipient will be honored for their outstanding contributions to the water and wastewater industry.

Conclusion: This award recognizes and celebrates the critical role facility managers play in ensuring the safe and efficient delivery of water and wastewater services. By honoring exceptional leaders in the field, we aim to inspire continued excellence and innovation in facility management.

Individual/Nominee: _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Facility: _____

Submitted By: _____ **Date:** _____

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