



Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds

Oregonians Working for Healthy Watersheds

Award Descriptions

A recognition of grassroots efforts to preserve and protect our natural resources for the future of all Oregonians

Oregon Department of Agriculture

Environmental Stewardship Awards 2006

The Oregon Dairy Farmers Association and the Oregon Department of Agriculture present the Environmental Stewardship Award to those dairy operators who have excelled in implementing waste management practices that promote water quality. The 2005 award winners exemplify the hard work and dedication of many Oregon dairies in improving the quality of Oregon's water.

Oregon Department of Energy

Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds Award 2006

The Oregon Department of Energy's Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds Award honors individuals, schools, businesses, organizations, local governments and state agencies that have made special efforts in the area of energy efficiency or renewable energy projects that also benefit watershed health. Their exceptional commitment, leadership and innovative efforts help conserve the state's natural resources, improve the quality of life for Oregonians, benefit the economy, and serve as examples to others across the state.

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife/Oregon Department of Forestry

Fish and Wildlife Steward Award for Forest Lands 2005

The Fish and Wildlife Steward Awards for Forest Lands recognize the efforts of forest landowners who implement the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds by improving fish and wildlife resources through their forest stewardship activities. The awards are categorized by landowner type – industrial, non-industrial and special forest lands – and region – northwest, southwest and eastern Oregon. Field personnel from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Oregon Department of Forestry submit nominations, and a regional selection committee determines the winners in each category.

**Oregon Department of Forestry
Operator of the Year Award 2005**

The Oregon Board of Forestry Operator of the Year Award recognizes those who conduct forest operations in a manner that helps protect natural resources, while consistently surpassing Oregon standards of complying with recognized forest management practices. The Oregon Department of Forestry stewardship foresters selected the nominees for the awards, and then representatives from the Eastern, Northwestern and Southwestern Regional Forest Practices Committees toured each of the nominee work sites to determine the winners. The operators have displayed innovation and the ability to handle difficult circumstances, expending extra effort and enduring some financial risk or sacrifice to produce outstanding results.

**Oregon Department of Forestry
Oregon Tree Farmer of the Year 2005**

Each year, local groups of Oregon Department of Forestry foresters, consulting foresters, and forestry extension agents meet with the Oregon Small Woodland Association chapters to select county Tree Farmer of the Year award recipients. Oregon's State Tree Farm winner is selected from the county winners and competes in the Western Regional competition that represents 13 states. The National Tree Farmer of the Year Finalist is selected from four U.S. regional winners.

**Oregon Department of State Lands
State Land Board Award 2005**

The State Land Board Awards were created in 2003 to promote and recognize responsible, sustainable stewardship of natural resources. To be eligible, stream and wetland projects must have received a Removal-Fill Permit from the Department of State Lands and must meet or exceed all permit conditions. Committees of DSL staff members, Land Board assistants and representatives of natural resources organizations select winners.

**Oregon Water Resources Department
Stewardship and Conservation Award 2006**

Recognition from the Water Resources Commission is given on an annual basis to individual citizens, groups, businesses or other partners that adhere to the Oregon Water Resources Department's mission "to serve the public by practicing and promoting wise long-term water management" and for responsibly managing, conserving and restoring Oregon's water resources. Recipients of the award show outstanding commitment to water conservation and implementation of water efficient operations.