2023 National Environmental Achievement Award Honorees

The National Environmental Achievement Awards recognizes individuals and NACWA member agencies that have made outstanding contributions to environmental protection and the clean water community.



Individual NEAA Awards

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE



Gordon Pederson Chief Technical Officer Gulf Coast Authority, TX

LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD



Kirsten Holzheimer Gail Mayor City of Euclid, OH

UTILITY | FADERSHIP



James "Jim" Herberg
General Manager
Orange County Sanitation District, CA



Daniel "Dan" Thompson
Division Manager,
Business Operations
City of Tacoma Environmental
Services Department, WA

Member Agency NEAA Awards

OPERATIONS & ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

- City of Richmond Department of Public Utilities, VA
 RVAH20 Green Infrastructure Master Plan
- Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District, WI
 MMSD Freshwater Monitoring Program
- Prince William County Service Authority, VA
 Asset Management Analytics Sewer Pipe
 Business Risk Exposure
- Renewable Water Resources, SC Dig Greenville

PUBLIC INFORMATION & EDUCATION: E-MEDIA

- Metro Water Recovery, CO
 How We Transform Wastewater
- Prince William County Service Authority, VA
 H2GoKids

PUBLIC INFORMATION & EDUCATION: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

- KC Water, MO
 Water Education Program
- Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, MO
 MSD Project Clear Creates Warning to Fear the FOG "Official U.S. Trailer"

- NEW Water, WI
 The "Unflushables:" Something Had to Give!
- WSSC Water, MD
 Introduction to Wastewater Treatment
 Virtual Unit

PUBLIC INFORMATION & EDUCATION: VIDEO

- Des Moines Metropolitan Wastewater Reclamation Authority, IA
 Des Moines WRA Facility Tour Video Series
- Eastern Municipal Water District, CA
 Patrick the Poo Video
- Great Lakes Water Authority, MI
 Where Does the Water Go? How Water Flows
 Through GLWA's Regional Collection System
- Hampton Roads Sanitation District, VA
 Providence Road Offline Storage Facility & Woodstock Park Improvements Video
- Louisville & Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District, KY
 MSD Cornerstone Course and Video
- Narragansett Bay Commission, RI
 NBC Water Works Video

PUBLIC SERVICE

Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, MO
 City of Springfield, MO
 KC Water, MO
 Missouri Collaboration for Statewide COVID-19 Wastewater Testing Program

RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY

- Hampton Roads Sanitation District, VA
 DC Water, DC
 Taking a DETOUR for Shortcut Nitrogen Removal: Partial Denitrification-Anammox (PdNA)
- LOTT Clean Water Alliance, WA Reclaimed Water Infiltration Study

WATER RESOURCES UTILITY OF THE FUTURE

- Louisville & Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District, KY
 Equity in Contracting and Procurement
- Metropolitan Wastewater Management Commission, OR Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) Project

WATERSHED COLLABORATION

- Beckley Sanitary Board, WV
 Piney Creek Watershed Monitoring
 Collaborative
- Louisville & Jefferson County Metropolitan
 Sewer District, KY
 Maple Street Greenspace Alberta Jones Park
- Metro Water Recovery, CO
 South Platte River Aquatic Life/Habitat

 Improvements Project

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

- Des Moines Metropolitan Wastewater Reclamation Authority, IA
 Des Moines WRA Operator Specialist Apprenticeship Program
- Hampton Roads Sanitation District, VA
 Hampton Roads Workforce Council, VA
 HRSD Youth Summer Intensive (YSI) Program
- Jefferson County Commission, AL
 WRF Operator Apprenticeship Program
- King County Wastewater Treatment Division, WA
 Operator-in-Training Program
- Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District, WI
 O&M Workforce Development Program
- Mount Pleasant Waterworks, SC
 Strategic Plan Refresh & Workforce Alignment