

IPWEA NZ ANNUAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2020

IPWEA (NZ) ANNOUNCES ITS 2020 ANNUAL EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC WORKS AWARDS. APPLICATIONS ARE SOUGHT IN FIVE CATEGORIES:

Award Category	Alignment and Comment
1. Excellence in Strategic Planning	IPWEA NZ promotes excellence in asset management in the New Zealand public works sector. Asset management begins with strategic planning that clearly identifies and then delivers to critical outcome(s). Candidates for this award should clearly demonstrate excellence in providing clear strategic direction in the progression of public works. Strategies may be in any area related to public works, including infrastructure strategies, asset management and the development of capital works projects.
2. Excellence in Maximising Asset Performance	Optimising and maximising asset performance through the application of fundamental asset management principles is a cornerstone of IPWEA NZ's mission. Candidates for this award should demonstrate how they have applied asset management principles to maximise benefit and outcomes to their community's investment. This may include examples where asset life, functionality or performance is enhanced through sound asset management, and/or excellence in the use of data to improve asset management outcomes.
3. Best public works project <\$5M	This award seeks to promote examples of capital work projects with a value of less than NZ\$5 million, that have clearly delivered community outcomes beyond the project success indicators of "on budget" and "on time". Within the judging criteria below, the applicant may choose to highlight one or more particular aspects. For example, the way the project was executed during the construction phase, or innovation in design, to achieve an enhanced outcome for the community's investment.
4. Best public works project >\$5M	This award seeks to promote examples of capital work projects with a value of greater than NZ\$5 million, that have clearly delivered community outcomes beyond the project success indicators of "on budget" and "on time". Within the judging criteria below, the applicant may choose to highlight one or more particular aspects. For example, the way the project was executed during the construction phase, or innovation in design, to achieve an enhanced outcome for the community's investment.
5. Environment & Sustainability	This award seeks to promote examples of projects that have identified and managed the environmental impacts, and have improved the quality of the environment in a tangible and ongoing way. This award is sponsored by Morphum Environmental.





JUDGING CRITERIA

All entries will be assessed against the following set of criteria:

- Clear demonstration of how community outcomes have been identified and achieved.
 - Demonstration of a collaborative approach across stakeholders.
 - Innovation – achieved either through new thinking, or the extension of best practice to achieve continuous improvement.
 - Efficient delivery on stated objectives (including time and budget requirements) with an explanation of how the objectives have been met.
 - Third party validation. This might be by stakeholders, specialist auditors, the media or any other body.
- Note: “Routine work done well” is not excellence.

AWARD APPLICATIONS

- Applications should be structured to follow the above judging criteria, include a summary at the start of how the application meets the award category criteria, and details of a key contact person.
- Applications are limited to 10 single-sided A4 pages (excluding cover page, index, referee letters, and appendices).
- Projects entered need to have been completed after 1 April 2018. Where applicable, entered projects must have been operational for long enough to show that the project objectives have been met.
- A separable portion of a project may be entered provided it functions separately.
- A single PowerPoint slide (16:9 layout), without animations, shall be submitted for use at the Annual Conference to promote the application at various times. IPWEA NZ may change the format of this slide to best suit the presentation. Along with the slide, please supply draft text briefly describing the entry, that can be read in 60 seconds. This text will be updated by the judges as necessary, to use as narration for the slide, due 1st May 2020.
- Alternatively a 30 second video can be submitted in place of the powerpoint slide - due 1st May 2020.
- Entry is open to any organisation in New Zealand that wishes to enter NZ-based projects.

IPWEA NZ CONFERENCE

- Finalists will be presented during a session at the 2020 IPWEA NZ conference, which is to be held in Dunedin on 17 - 19 June 2020.
- Awards will be presented to the winners at the conference dinner on the evening of Thursday 18th June 2020.

CONDITIONS

- Each application is eligible for one award only.
- The judging panel reserves the right to determine the best category fit for an application.
- The decision of the judging panel is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
- IPWEA (NZ) and IPWEA have the right to use all award applications in any internal or public promotions.

SUBMISSION

- Entries close at 12 noon on **Friday 17th April 2020**.
- Entries shall be submitted electronically in pdf format to: awards.nz@ipwea.org

IPWEA NZ look forward to celebrating and promoting excellence in public works engineering with you in 2020!