



Texas Chapter Management Innovation Award

Purpose	To recognize an individual, team, or organization for the development, management and implementation of a creative idea, device, process, or system that enhances the goals of public works in serving the public and protecting the environment.
Eligibility	Anyone actively involved in the public works profession is eligible. APWA membership is not required.
Selection	The Awards Committee reviews the nominations and selects the award winner(s).
Criteria	<p>Innovations will be judged on the overall positive effect it has made on the agency, the public, and/or the community relative to the delivery of public works services that are new and creative methods and programs. These may include, but are not limited to, materials, design, or equipment that improves efficiency, disseminates information, or educates the public and/or personnel. The innovations must be proven cost effective and sustainable. They must have been successfully implemented and demonstrate a significant advancement, rather than be the result of natural evolution of existing methods, common sense, or good practice. The innovations must be well-documented and presented in a manner that describes the deficiency and/or challenge and the results of innovation implementation.</p> <p>Applications should address the following specific criteria, which will be evaluated in the selection process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describe the complexity of the innovation—provide specific information related to the challenge identified and the innovation utilized to address it• Explain the innovation’s positive impact—provide specific information related to the long-term benefits and operational efficiencies realized to public works• Describe the approach utilized to create the innovation—provide detailed information on the originality and approach utilized to create the management innovation
Nomination Process	Nominations may be made by any public agency or APWA chapter. Submissions are limited to ten pages. The ten pages do not include a letter of introduction from the chapter/nominator.
Presentation	The award winner is recognized at the awards ceremony during the Texas Annual Public Works Conference.
National Award	Winner will also be automatically submitted by the Chapter for the APWA Management Innovation Award.